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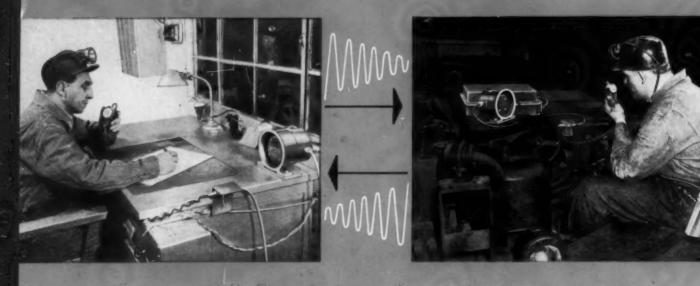
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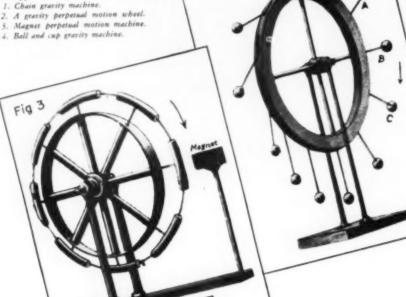
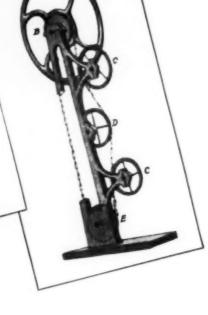
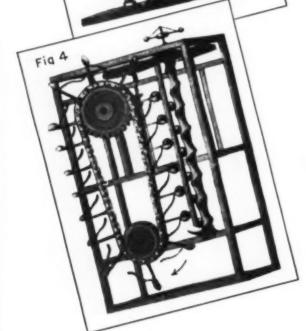


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Coming in Coal Age

Large Cars, New Portal

How and why Consolidation Coal Co. (Ky.) selected 25-ton mine cars to achieve one-man operation of main haulage at lowest cost per ton mile at Hendrix mine is the subject of a coming article. And another staff-written offering will tell how Consol (Ky.) constructed a new portal at Mine No. 214 to increase efficiency for the remaining life of the mine and permit maximum salvage of portal facilities.

Extensible Belt In Long Rooms

A Pennsylvania producer cuts development costs by driving 900-ft-long rooms using an extensible belt conveyor for room transportation and conventional machines at the face.

Gist of the Meetings

Staff-written reports of important Fall meetings, coming in the December issue Meeting Roundup, will keep you abreast of what's going on right now in coal's major activities.

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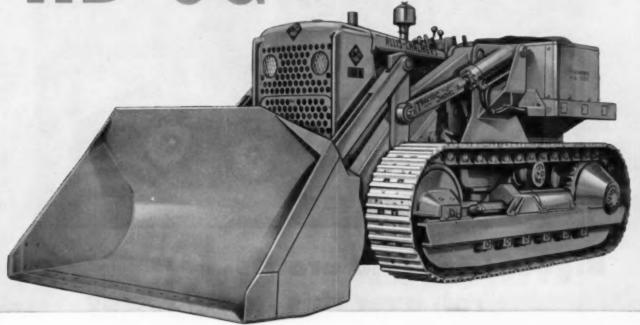
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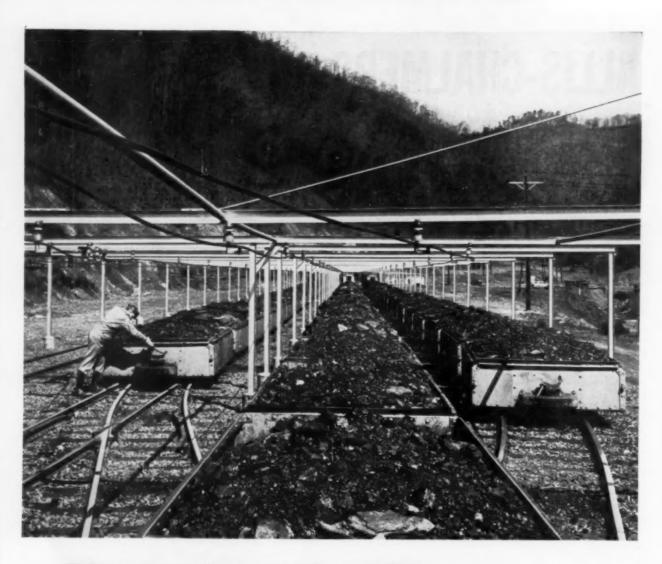
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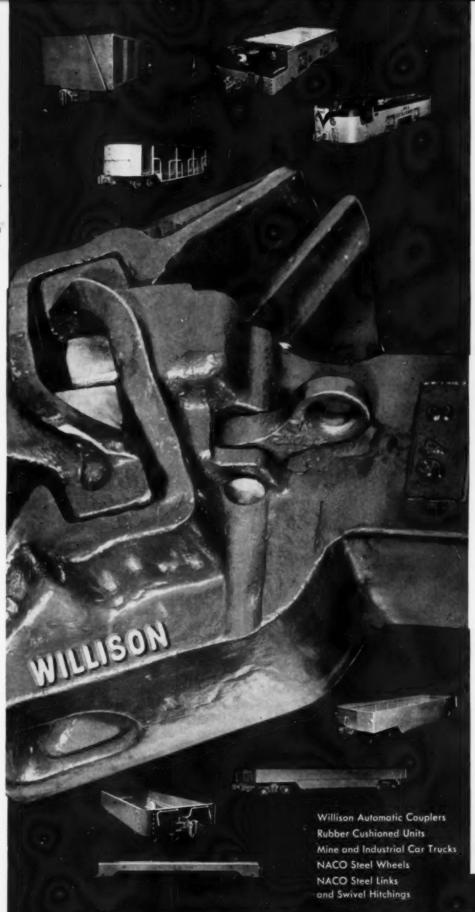
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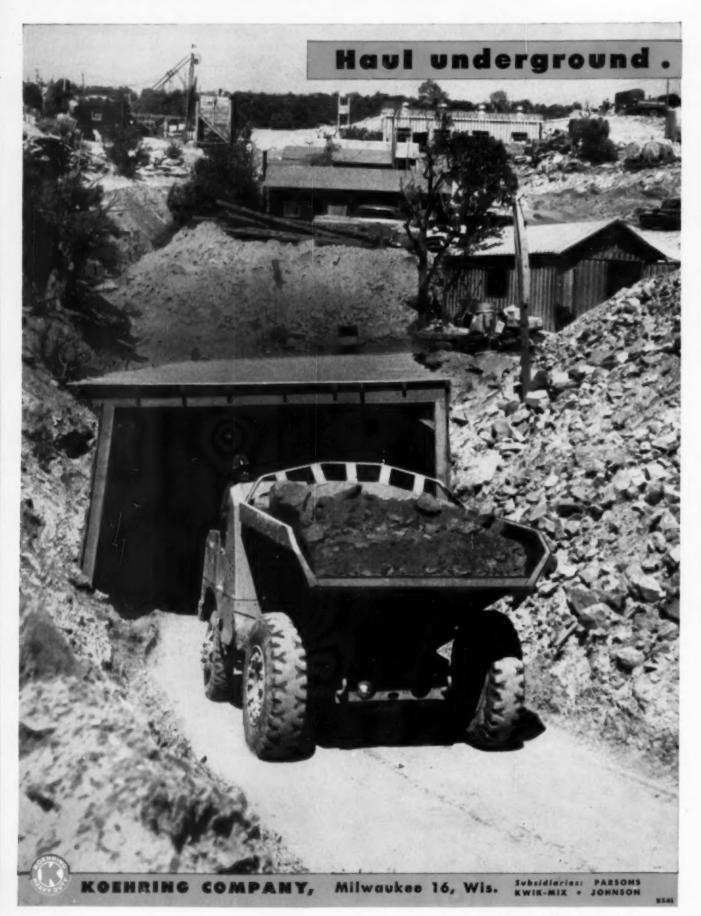
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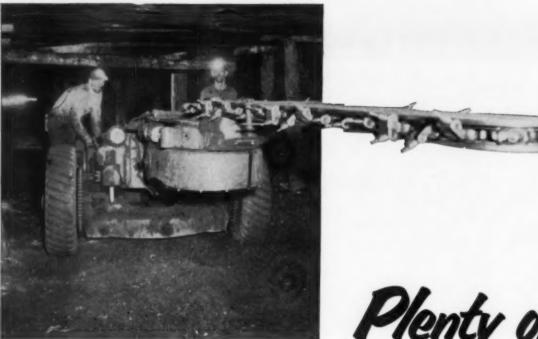
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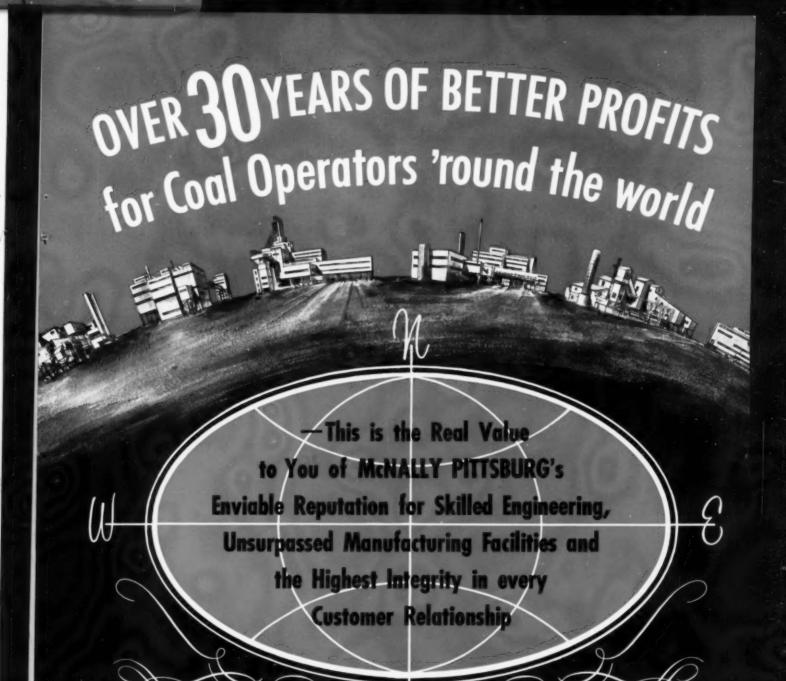
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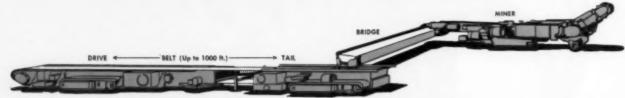
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For lower coal, the popular 3-JCM Continuous Miner—only 34" high over-all—takes over the extracting job. And for full-face mining in seams of approximately 6 to 8 ft., the powerful Joy Twin Borer is now available for continuous production at an 8-ton-a-minute clip.

The 1-CM Miner has a capacity of 4 tons per minute, is 45" high over-all, and will cut from 5½" below floor to 90" above (120" with special equipment). It is available with two hydraulic roof drills of 4200-lb. thrust (note the photo-

graph above) making the 1-CM a fully integrated unit capable of handling both advance and roof control.

The Joy "Ex-Belt" Conveyor (see drawing above) now permits a continuous mining machine to operate almost without interruption in driving rooms and entries up as far as 1000 feet, including breakthroughs and taking pillar on retreat. It is available in 24, 30 and 36-inch widths and consists of two main units: a drive and a tail section with bridge conveyor, both self-propelled on identical crawler treads.

The "Ex-Belt" extends or retracts 50 feet while operating under full load. Belt tension and slippage are under automatic control at all times. A 100-foot length of belt can be added or removed, as needed, in an average time of only 5.3 minutes; and the entire system can be moved over and set up for a new heading in less than 2 hours.

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when a JOY I-CM Continuous Miner was used instead of conventional methods

THEN, increased 69% more

when a JOY Extensible Belt Conveyor was added to provide continuous haulage

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The results above cover two regular periods of operation in a West Virginia mine. The coal is in the Pittsburgh seam and averages about 8 feet in thickness. It contains numerous clay veins up to 4 feet thick, resulting in both bad top and bottom when encountered, and requiring the hauling of considerable waste material. Mining height is limited to about 7 feet, leaving some head coal for roof support, and some bottom because of impurities.

In the first operating period of a month, the Joy 1-CM Miner was teamed with two Joy 10-SC shuttle cars unloading on belt conveyors. Production per man-shift averaged 53.8 tons, an increase of 40% over conventional mining methods. Size consist also improved with 1-CM production, with the sizes over %" increasing from 69.1% to 74.7% of the total, on the average.

In the second period, a Joy "Ex-Belt" Conveyor replaced the shuttle cars—and notice the results! Again a month's operation was checked. Production per man-shift jumped to 80.3 tons, an additional increase of 69% and a total increase of 109% over the methods previously used!

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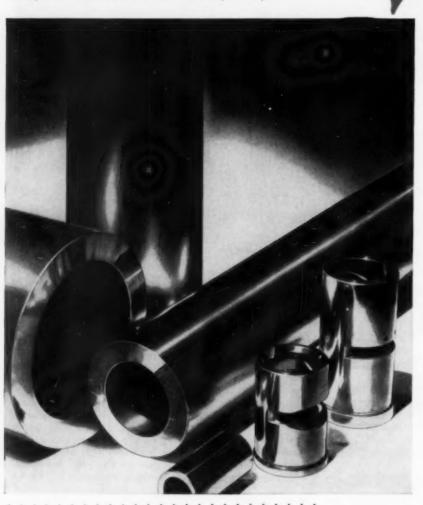
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LeTourneau-Westinghouse Rear-Dump is loaded with 4 passes of 31/2-yd, shovel.

Kleenbirn Collieries had always hired crawlers and scrapers to strip overburden from their coal beds northeast of Lethbridge, Alberta. Looking for a way to lower costs, the Company several years ago bought 3 C Tournapull Rear-Dumps and a 31/2yd. stripping shovel.

In their first full season (April to November), this team accounted for 578,000 yds. of overburden, sandstone and shale. In the first 3 months of the following season, working a shorter day, the units hauled 112,000 bank yards. Per-yard costs were less than 35% of the cost of the last year crawlers were used, and 30% less than any of the 10 previous years when crawlers were used. These costs

Kleenbirn Collieries has been mining coal here since 1919. Seam now being uncovered is 41/2 ft. thick, Overburden, mostly shale and clay, is 30 ft. thick. When winter stops mining, LeTourneau-Westing-house units haul stockpiled coal to bunkers $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from pit. From here, coal is hauled by truck to nearby towns.

Front-wheel drive, big air brakes, plus the rear dumping action, make it easy for operator to dump entire load cleanly and safely over edge of soft spoil bank.



include depreciation and interest on the equipment investment.

Haul up 91/2 to 121/2 % grades

To date, the Rear-Dumps have spent about half their time hauling the dirt and shale overburden pictured, the other half hauling shot sandstone and coal. Loads in clay, earth and shale average 12 bank yards...in rock, 9 bank yards. Maximum grades vary from 91/2 to 121/2%. "These 18-ton LeTourneau-Westinghouse Rear-Dumps are ideal for work with a 31/2-yd. shovel," says Foreman W. E. Herrick. "They are the best hauling units for our kind of work."

Rear-Dumps build ramps

One of their most important jobs ac-

cording to Herrick, is building ramps. Constructed of overburden, these connect pit with spoil pile and coal haul roads. They average 50' wide, 50' high, and 250' long. Not only was their construction long and costly with crawlers and scrapers, but necessary compaction could never be achieved. This caused bad sink-holes to develop. "Now," says Herrick, "with a crawler for leveling and Tournapulls for hauling, we build the ramps much faster. Also, we get better compaction and no sink-holes."

A demonstration on your work will show you specifically the many ways LeTourneau-Westinghouse Rear-Dumps can cut haul costs. Call us today to arrange time and place.

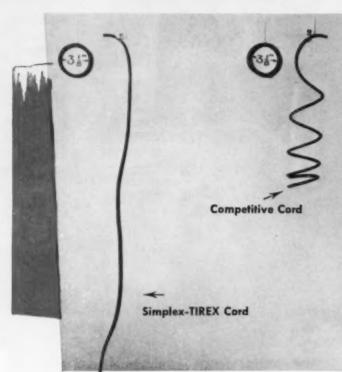




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1 rubber-tired rig replaces 2 crawler-tractors

Working their Eagle Mountain Iron Mine, Eagle Mountain, California, Kaiser Steel Corp, find they get more clean-up work done faster with 1 Model C Tournatractor than if they assigned 2 crawler-tractors to handle the same job. The new tractor-onrubber replaced one full-time crawler, and does the part-time plant and pit maintenance work formerly assigned to a second track-type machine. The change to the faster, more maneuverable 208 hp Tournatractor enables the mine to keep haul units moving with less delays due to spillage or uneven pit floors.

3 to 4 times faster than crawlers

Tournatractor handles all clean-up assignments around 3 shovels. It shuttles back and forth at speeds up to 19 mph, which is 3 to 4 times faster than the top speed of any crawler. In addition, reverse speeds to 8 mph allow unit to back away quickly without interfering with load-

ing operations. Big 21.00 x 25 lowpressure tires provide plenty of flotation and traction. They stand up well despite abrasive and rocky footing around pit floor.

Also used for pulling and pushing

In addition to clean-up and bulldozing, the 208 hp tractor pulls air compressors to drilling sites and moves the frame supports which

Tournatractor also cuts downtime for air com-

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Diagram showing magnetic field for 2-coil, 36-in.-dia., 42-in.-wide pulley. Note how magnetic field blankets entire load.

New magnetic pulley stops tramp iron riding the load peaks

This new Stearns 2-coil electro-magnetic pulley effectively removes tramp iron riding the crest of a conveyor load as well as the pieces that pass close to the magnet's face. Two-coil design produces a powerful magnetic field that is deepest at the center of the conveyor belt where load is heaviest. Thus, the area of magnetic attraction is the same general shape as the load on a conveyor operating under standard conveyor practices.

Smaller, lower-cost pulleys now practical

Because of the nature of the magnetic field, smaller pulleys costing less can now be used on jobs where larger units were formerly needed. An examination of data on a number of proposed installations showed that, in the majority of cases, the recommended new 2-coil pulley was of smaller diameter than a 3-coil pulley of comparable ability.

New, simple pulley selection method*

Because this pulley fits right into recommended conveyor standards for speed of belt travel and depth of load for various types of materials, it is far simpler to select the right pulley than ever before. Stearns provides new selection tables in Bulletin 303-C that now make it possible for you to select the right size unit for your job even before you consult our sales engineers.

Get all the facts on this new magnetic pulley. Find out how it simplifies pulley selection. Write for Bulletin 303-C.

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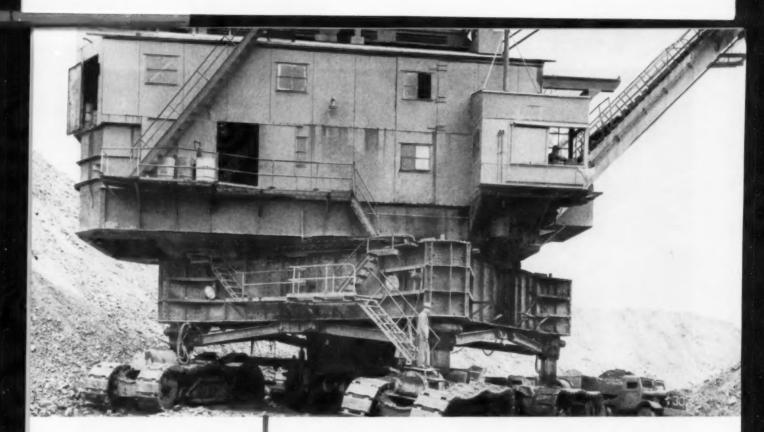
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Bucyrus-Erie 950-B stripper removes overburden from Traux-Traer Coal Company seam in Fulton County, Illinois. Operation is one of the largest open pit mines in Fulton County, Illinois' second biggest coal producing county. CALUMET Viscous provides lubricant shield for roller swing gear.

Bob Wright, Standard's lubrication specialist, mounts steps to inspect roller swing gear lubricated with CALUMET Viscous. On-the-spot technical help such as this is one of the services Bob performs for his customers. Bob's training includes a B.S. in engineering from Michigan College of Mining, and Bob has completed the Standard Sales Engineering School. Customers find such training pays off for them.

Stripper rides on CALUMET Viscous Lubricant

Calumet Viscous Lubricant has been assigned the job of protecting circle rail rollers and swing gears on a 950-B Bucyrus-Erie stripper at Traux-Traer Coal Company's mine in Fulton County, Illinois. It's been doing this job—and doing it well—for many years. It has had to, for delivering top performance is expected of both lubricants and equipment at this mine. The production goal is a stiff 1,000 tons of coal an hour.

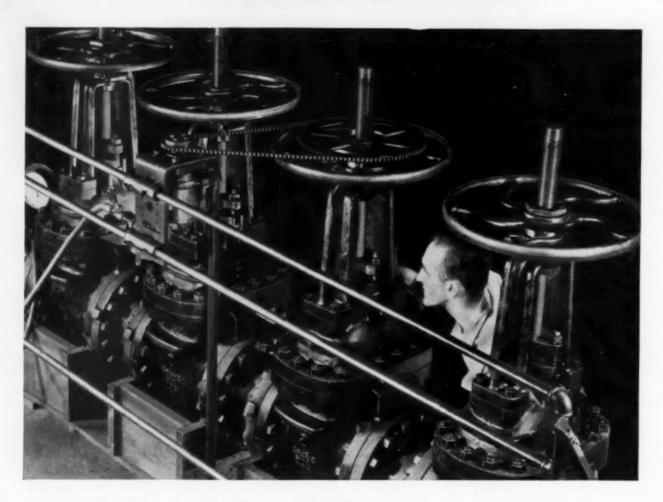
The stripper operates continuously in all kinds of weather—hot, cold, wet, dry, dusty. Selection of Calumet Viscous Lubricant for this job was a logical decision. Calumet Viscous is designed to perform under just such conditions. Its adhesive qualities make it stick to gear surfaces and form a near perfect gear shield. It doesn't sling off during warm weather or chip off in cold weather. It can be applied easily and evenly when sprayed or swabbed, does not require preheating.

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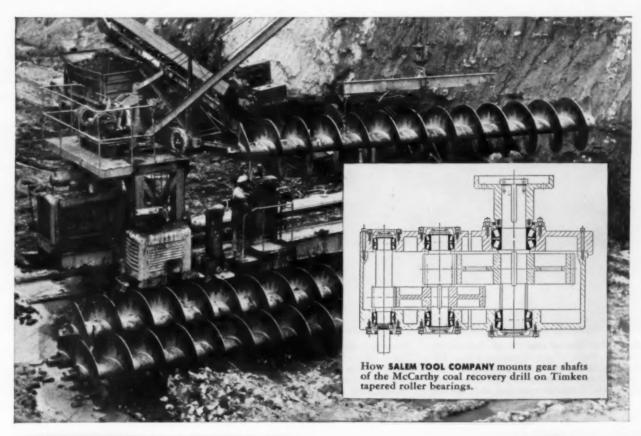
Dirt and dust can be a big problem in applications like this. But Timken

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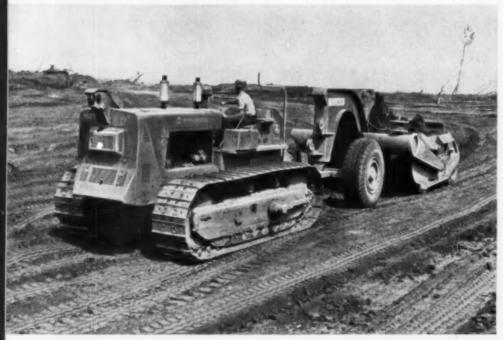
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"1/3 more overburden daily than competitive crawlers" . . . that's the report from Merkli Brothers Coal Company, Beaver, West Virginia, on their TD-24. Unit is stripping 40 ft. of sand-

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Strips for barite ore—Near Cartersville, Georgia, Paga Mining Company's two TD-24's average a 4,000 ft. stripping cycle every 10 minutes. This includes time to self-load 15 cu. yds. Units are removing 50 ft. of over-

burden to reach a 15 ft. seam of 9 to 30% barite. They move 2,000 to 2,500 cu. yds. of spoil per 10-hour day. The plant produces 400 tons of barite in the same time, for use in chemical, paint, and oil industries.





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1 more trip hourly—Fast loading and acceleration help 18½-yd. Payscraper make one more trip hourly than other self-propelled scrapers used by W. E. O'Neill Construction Company, Gary, Indiana. Cycle length averaged 2½ miles; material was mostly sand. For hauling ore, scraper interchanges with bottom-dump wagons.





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No repairs in 2 years of continuous crusher service—that's the record of the International 125 hp diesel shown above. Average output, in gravel pit near Bartlett, N. H., is 100 cu. yds. hourly.



Rugged in rugged rock—"TD-6 is ideal for opening underground mines," says M. McDonald, Kiabob Uranium Corp, Green River, Utah. "It gets around fast in narrow tunnels, yet brings out BIG loads."





Unloader Operation Is Controlled By One Man

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When being unloaded the coal barge is protected from drifting by snubbing lines and barge positioners. The independent movement of the positioners enables the operator to keep the barge in precisely the right position at all times. The positioners are also used to push the barge away from the dock after unloading.

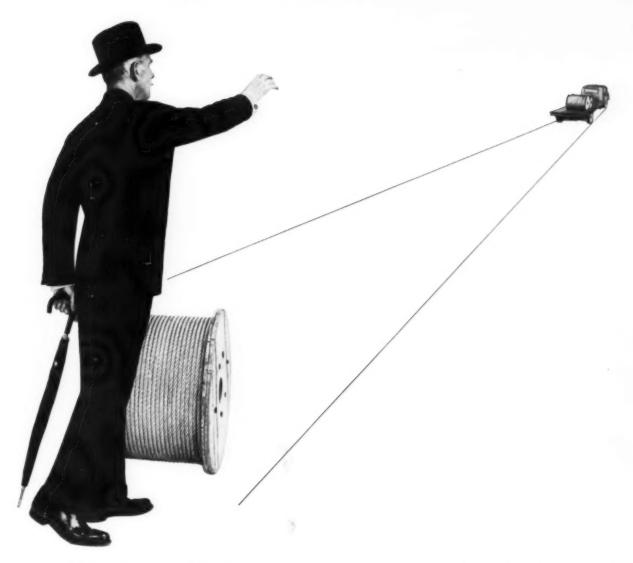
All movements of the barge and bucket elevator unloader are finger-tip controlled by one man. This man, located in a glass enclosed cab, has clear vision of all operations of barge movement and unloading.

Heyl & Patterson is now building a similar Coal Barge Unloader and Handling System of greater capacity for Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation's Coal Preparation Plant at East Frederickstown, Pa.

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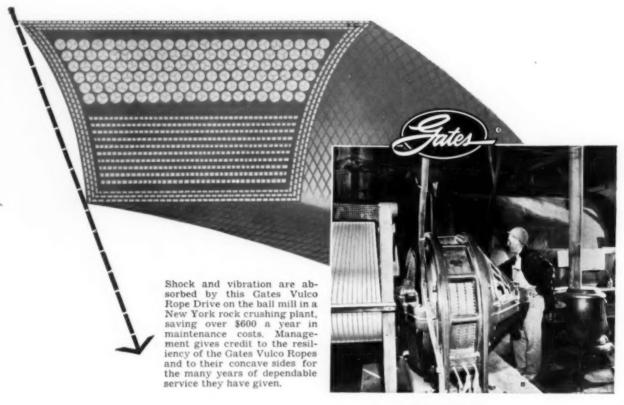
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Simple test proves value of concave sides



Bend a straight-sided belt (Fig. 2) and feel the sides *bulge out* around the bend. The bulging sides prevent the belt from fitting evenly in the pul-

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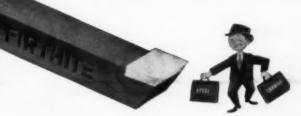
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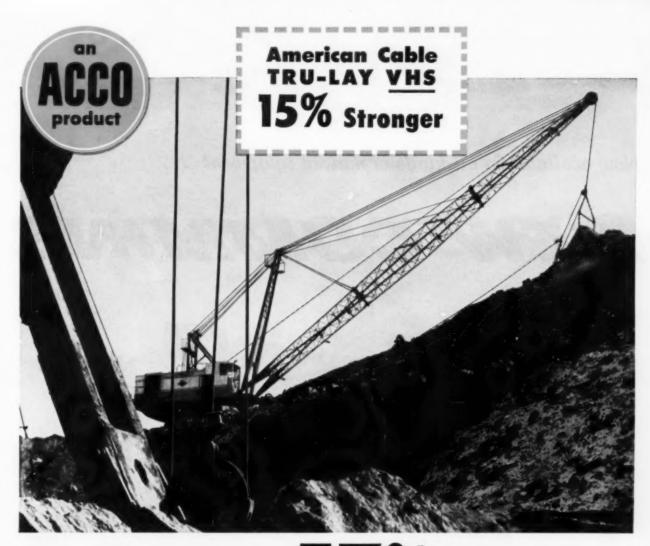
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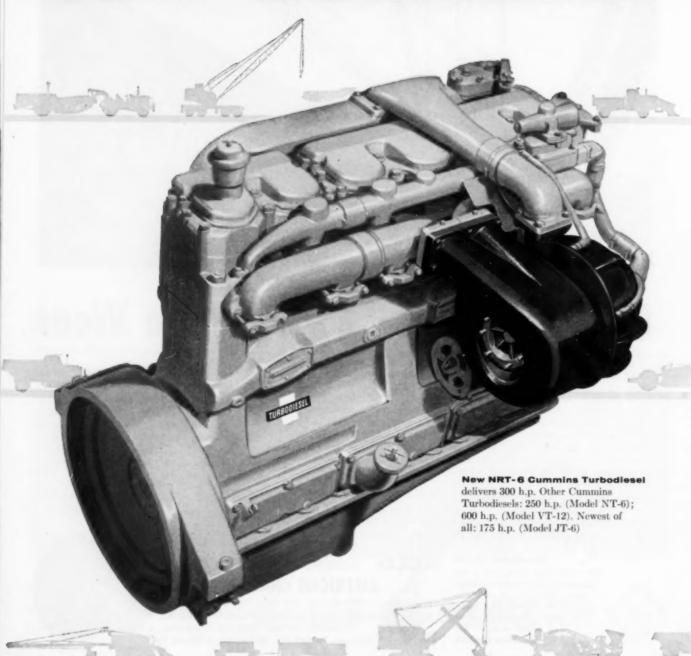
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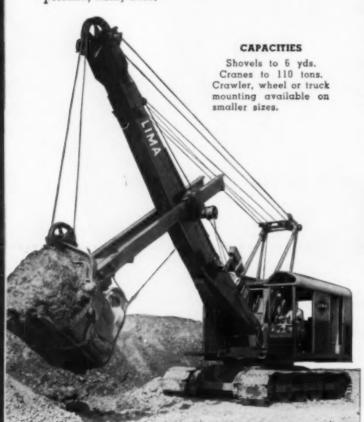
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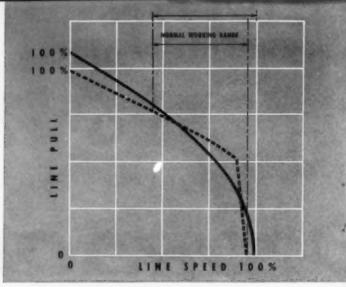
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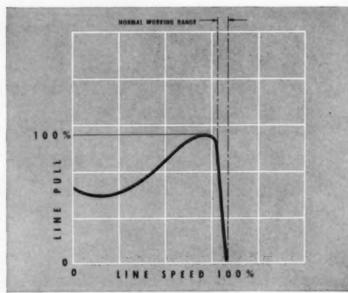


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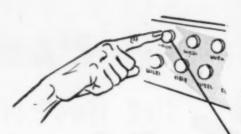
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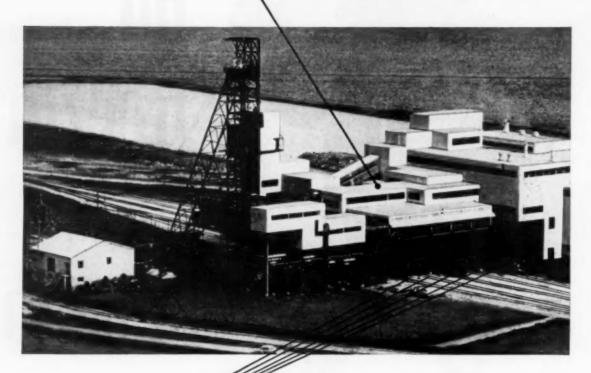
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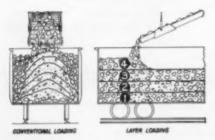


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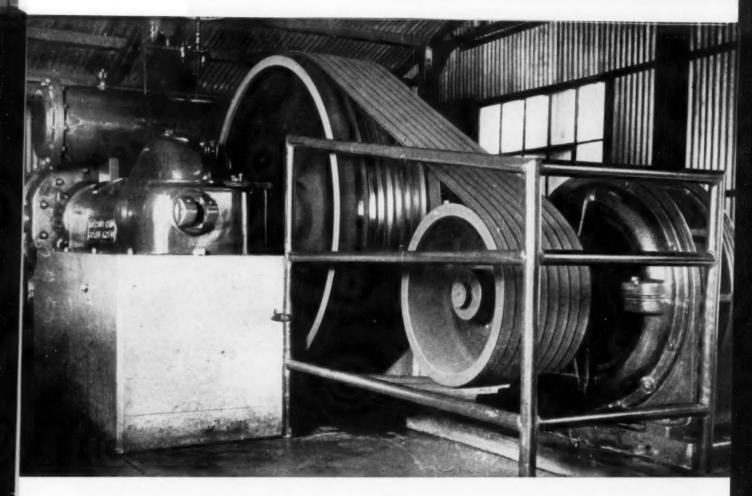
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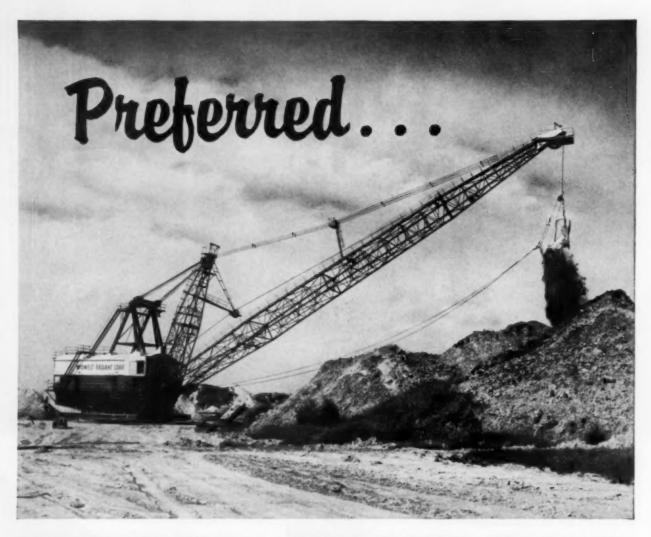


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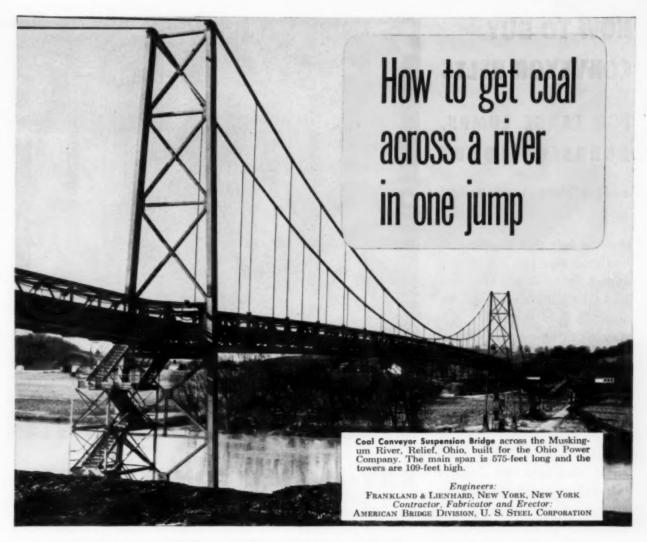
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Still Favored

CAN COAL meet the coming challenge of atomic power? Among those who believe that atomic power is coming and that it will compete with coal in the generation of electricity is Philip Sporn, president of the American Gas & Electric Co. But, he asked in an address at the annual meeting of the Pocahontas Operators' Association last month, "Will coal be conquered, or even hurt?" Not likely, was his answer. In fact, he concluded, coal can emerge far stronger than it is today if it takes the proper steps to meet the challenge. Among them are:

- 1. Full recognition by coal of its opportunity and of its corollary responsibility for providing a reliable supply of fuel at all times at the lowest cost consistent with safety, a sound wage structure, and a reasonable return on investment.
- 2. Recognition of the fact that atomic fuel is "freightless' fuel, meaning that it is time to think, plan, talk and act on the basis of the delivered cost of coal.
- Establishment of the closest possible relationships with the principal users of coal as a basis for maximum emphasis on increasing utilization efficiency.
- 4. Particular concentration on markets that can be protected and held "not for the next decade but perhaps for the next century."

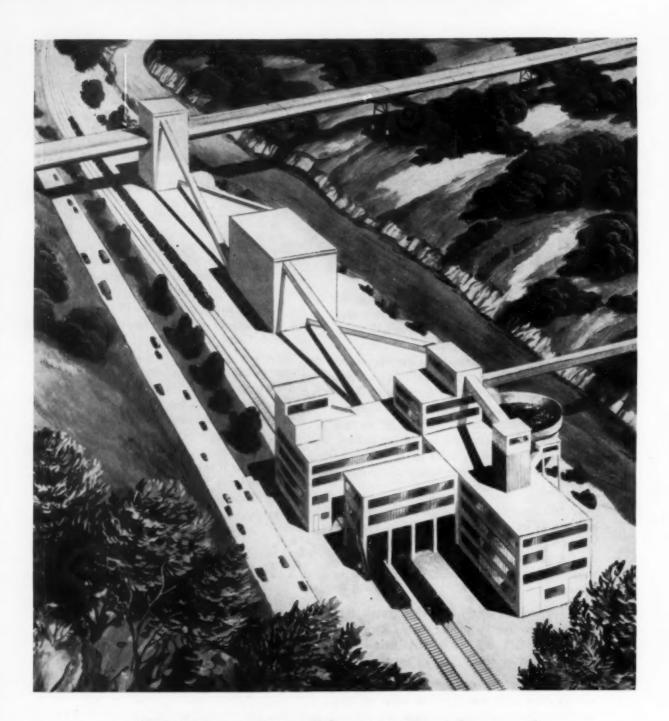
Working independently and looking forward only to 1960, Coal Age also offers an analysis of industry problems and suggestions for their solution, starting on the following page of this issue. With these and other recommendations for action comes increasing evidence that action will be forthcoming. For

example, October also brought an announcement that construction was starting on the coal-storage and handling facilities necessary for building and operating the Pittsburgh Consol coal-carrying pipe line from Georgetown, Ohio, to Cleveland.

So coal can report that it is working on all fronts—and with increasing effectiveness—to build up its competitive power and meet all reasonable standards for cost, quality and service now and in the future. And as it increases its efforts, it can expect a greater reward. Mr. Sporn, for example, believes that if coal does the job right it can fend off atomic power almost completely for a decade or more, and can look forward to a possible demand for over 200 million tons for electric power in 1965.

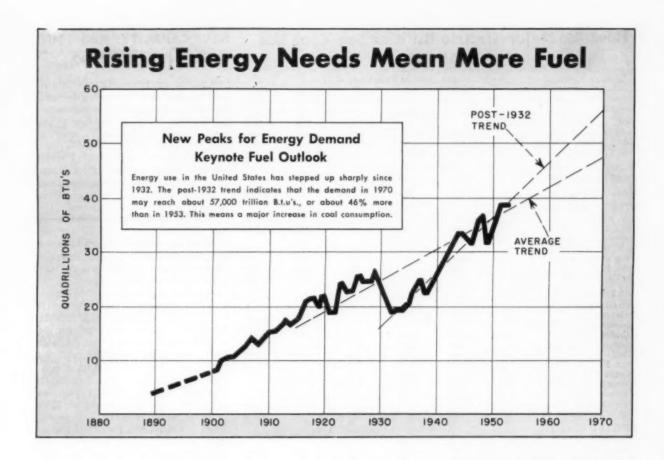
After Lewis—What?

"WHAT WILL HAPPEN when John L. Lewis is no longer president of the UMWA?" This was the opening sentence in an article bearing the title of this editorial in the June, 1953, issue of Coal Age. The events of the past month make the question even more pertinent now. The time for a change is appreciably closer, though it may be later than sooner. And when it does come, the transition may be troubled or it may be peaceful. In any event, new personalities and new power alignments must be reckoned with, and the industry may be confronted with a period of confusion and the need for revising labor-relations policies and approaches—perhaps radically. Naturally, the overriding goal for the industry is emergence from the transition period in a strengthened condition in a minimum of time. Perhaps now is not too soon to start thinking about ways and means.



Pattern For Plants To Come?

With a new billion-ton frontier ahead, one of coal's big jobs for the immediate future is planning for the increased production capacity that will be required.



Planning For 1960

At least 600 million tons a year is in the cards for the bituminous industry by 1960—and maybe more if coal takes full advantage of its opportunities to improve its competitive position. This calls for increasing production capacity, cutting costs, improving merchandising methods, seeking fair deals in labor and legislation, and expanding research and public relations. Big needs: careful planning, aggressive effort and imagination—NOW

By W. A. RALEIGH JR. Assistant Editor, COAL AGE

THE UPSWING IN COAL PRO-DUCTION is well on its way. From a postwar low of 392 million tons in 1954, output has bounced back to a point where 1955 will see a production of 470 million tons or more if cars are available, and 465 million tons even if the car shortage continues. In 1956, production may increase to 500 million tons or more; by 1960, to 600 million tons; by 1965, to 750 million tons; and, by 1975, to 1,000 million tons.

These projections are based primarily on a rapidly expanding U. S. economy which will bring greater use of coal by coal-consuming industries, particularly electric power, steel, chemicals and atomic energy. The projections assume that there will be no "hot" war, that there will be no major depression, and that coal will be able to maintain, or possibly im-

prove, its competitive position with other fuels.

Not much can be done by the coal industry to reduce the risk of a hot war or major depression. Such cataclysms result from forces far beyond the control of any single industry. But a great deal can and must be done to maintain the competitive position of coal. Herein lies the key to realize the unique opportunity ahead for expansion in coal markets.

To maintain its competitive position, and capitalize on future oppor-

How 42 Major Electric Utilities See Coal Use 1955-59

		Burn in	Thousands	of Tons	
	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
	TVA and A	tomic Ener	gy		
TVA	14.853	17.571	18,500	19,700	21.600
Electric Energy, Inc	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Ind. Ky. Elec.	1,636	3.897	4.290	4,290	4.290
Ohio Val. Elec	1,146	3,182	3,350	3,350	3,350
	Private an	d Municipa	al		
NEW ENGLAND					
Western Mass. Elec	300	325	475	650	650
MIDDLE ATLANTIC					
Con. Edison	4,800			5,556	5,834
Phila. Elec	3,220	3,680	3,865	3,880	3,860
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Potomac Elec. Pwr	1.357	1.374	1,416	1,506	1,539
Carolina P. & L	1,200	1,500	1,800	1,900	2,000
Potomac Edison	582	619	663		2,000
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Eastern Shore P. S. of Md	246	267	340	360	387
Gulf Pwr	144	146	140		307
Southern Carolina P. S. A	122	145	156	178	195
WEST NORTH CENTRAL					
Union Elec. of Mo	2.482	3.323	3,644	3.820	4.040
Kansas City P. & L	1,033	1,105	1,234	1.310	1,464
Minnesota P. & L	440	490	540	590	645
Iowa Southern Utilities	250	263	275	288	300
I owa P. & L	348	418	446	471	498
Interstate Pwr	197	210	225	230	240
Iowa-Illinois G. & E	178	247	314	360	435
Kansas P. & L	120	150	163	180	194
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL					
Louisville G. & E	1,400	1,500	1,650	1,800	2,000
MOUNTAIN					
Pub. Serv. of Colo	337	276	357	434	550
Projected U. S. Total	140,000	155.000	165,000	174,000	180.000

Estimates of utility coal consumption listed are as reported to Keystone Coal Buyers Manual, August through September, 1955.

tunities, the coal industry has these nine major tasks to perform:

- Making sure that production capacity is adequate to satisfy future demands.
- Maintaining or reducing production costs through increased operating efficiency and mechanization.
- Improving merchandising methods for better selling of consumers on the merits of coal and coal-burning equipment.
- Checking constantly on existing, new or growing markets for opportunities to increase sales.
- 5. Providing reasonable wages to labor.
- 6. Reducing mine-to-market costs.
- 7. Campaigning for fair treatment in state and national legislation.
- Expanding research to develop new or improved techniques on how to use, market and produce coal.
- Conducting an industry-wide public relations program.

NEW CAPACITY: Add 110 Million Tons by 1960

Basic to all future growth in the coal industry is the planning for and investment in increased production capacity. This planning should be figured so that production capacity is kept at least 10% ahead of anticipated market demands. Present effective capacity taking into account seasonal layoffs, week-ends, vacations, etc., is about 550 million tons, which is safely ahead of the expected 470million ton market for 1955. However, the safe margin of 1955 is not the result of the addition of new capacity but instead reflects the fact that the excess capacity of 1950 has not yet been completely absorbed.

A further drop in production capacity could severely handicap the industry in meeting future increases in demand if the projected 1960 market of 600 million tons is to be realized. This means that capacity must be upped from 550 million tons now to at least 660 million tons then. Such increased capacity would require an estimated annual investment of \$176 to \$200 million for the 5-yr period 1956 through 1960, or a total investment of \$880 to \$1,000 million. The new capacity of 110 million tons would, of course, be additional to the replacement of exhausted mines to maintain the 1955 capacity level.

One question might be, "Why should I increase capacity when I can't get enough hoppers to handle present orders?" In answer, some com-fort may be derived from the fact that relief for rail car shortages is underway. Since February, railroads have jumped their spending plans by 20%, with all of the increase for equipment, according to a survey by the Department of Commerce and the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Norfolk & Western, for example, has 2,500 new open-top cars on order, the Baltimore & Ohio, 1,550 hoppers, and the Virginian, 800 hoppers. Car bottlenecks, usually temporary, should not limit long-range plans.

"There is a fine outlook for increased coal production in the next 5 yr. The high national and international industrial level points to coal topping 500 million tons annually within 2 yr—this in spite of domestic and railroad consumption losses attending an industrial revolution in the fueling of America. A strong

sales program needs to be built on a ready to serve basis. This requires a fair competitive price to build and operate the mine plants to supply the steel, power, heating and chemical needs for coal. No nation has been industrially great without an adequate supply of coal. It has been amazingly important in the industrial and social growth of America. Now and for the long years ahead, America can depend on coal-our national heritage."-L. C. Campbell, vice president, Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates, Pittsburgh, Pa.

OPERATING COSTS: Streamline

The ability of coal producers to develop or maintain a price advantage over other fuels could in itself make the difference in determining whether or not the industry realizes its fullest, future growth. Producers must strive constantly for maximum output of quality products at lowest possible cost. And this task will be a difficult one since the cost of labor, equipment and supplies are more likely to go up than down in the future.

Basic to the task is the development of output "yardsticks" which will set standards for how much a man or machine should do in a given unit of time; the addition of mechanized and automatic equipment where it is indicated that such investment will be more than written off in reduced cost per ton of coal mined; and the selection of competent managers to integrate the units of the production operation into a smooth-working whole. Economies will also continue to be achieved through the consolidation of more mines under one management.

Let those who might be dismayed by the difficult task ahead recall that in the 20 yr period, 1934-53, the more effective use of men almost doubled output per man per day from 4.40 tons to 8.17 tons. This big jump in productivity was largely due to the rapid growth in use of mechanical loading equipment, particularly mobile loading machines, scrapers, duckbills and other self-loading conveyors which, as a group, handled about two-thirds of total underground production in 1953. Future expansion in use of such equipment will be relatively slower. But the advent of continuous mining machines, which

Coal Needs for Total Power, 1955—80

	Million	Coal Use, Millions of			
Year	Nuclear	Hydro	Steam	Total	Tons
1955	0	26	90	116	140
1956	0	27	98	125	155
1957	.01	28	103	131	165
1958	. 14	34	108	142	174
1959	.14	38	116	154	180
1960	.94	40	127	167	210
1965	5.00	50	177	232	282
1970	10.00	60	226	320	393
1975	40.00	70	285	395	430
1980	120.00	80	314	514	470

Generating capacity based on contracts now placed for operation 1955-58; estimates of Electrical World, a McGraw-Hill publication; and estimates of General Electric Co. Coal use estimates based on research by Keystone Coal Buyers Manual, a Coal Age affiliate.

handled only about 3.5% of total underground production in 1953, has opened up a virtually new field for increased mechanization and greater output per man per day. The 1960 potential for the industry's overall average output per man per day is indicated from a 1954 survey conducted by Keystone Coal Buyers Manual, a Coal Age affiliate. With about 20% of tonnage reporting, this showed that output per man per day in 177 of the nation's coal mines was averaging 16.42 tons.

MERCHANDISING: Organize; Take Story to Customer

The existence of a great potential for expanding coal sales is one thing; to realize the potential is completely another. One of the primary weapons for realizing the potential is better merchandising methods. Better selling can take numerous forms. However, present trends point in two main directions: organized, cooperative, concentrated selling by a group agency; and more personal effort to convince consumers on the merits of coal and coal-burning equipment.

One of the outstanding efforts in cooperative selling has been the Appalachian Coals, Inc., the pioneer regional marketing agency representing its producer-owners in the southern high-volatile, or District 8, field. In over 21 yr of existence, the agency has sold more than 600 million tons of coal to 31 states of the United States and to overseas countries. For that tonnage, it is estimated that ACI's mass selling power has brought \$150 million more in returns than would have otherwise been possible.

Conditions in bituminous which led to the organization of ACI now are present in more aggravated form in the anthracite-producing regions. As one result, producers in the Wyoming (Pa.) region are currently studying how they may set up a single agency to sell anthracite for the group. Possible benefits from the proposed Wyoming Anthracite Sales Co. include elimination of dumping and price slashing, and better engineering of sales to fill specific needs of customers.

In all of coal's history, it is doubtful if the time has ever been riper than now for cashing in on aggressive personal selling. Among the factors creating this favorable merchandising climate are the lessening price advantage of oil and natural gas, the higher quality and greater variety of coal products, new uses and markets for coal, and the availability of automatic, more efficient, more convenient coalburning equipment.

If old customers are to be recovered, new ones found and existing ones held, the components of the revitalized coal sales story must be exploited, Some progress is being made in this direction. In a number of cases, for example, where original plans called for using oil in schools or housing projects, "Minute Men" groups have converted officials on the superior merits of coal and coal-burning equipment. In another instance, the "Anthracade" mobile display of automatic anthracite heating units has been touring many localities of the anthracite marketing area in a concentrated effort to promote greater use of hard coal for space heating in homes and office buildings.

"The increasing population and expanding economy will provide a natural base for pushing coal sales upward. Utilities, steel, aluminum and export should be the biggest growth markets. To fortify coal's future, better selling and merchandising methods are needed. Every coalproducing region should consider a regional marketing agency for selling strength. This is a well-proven method which encourages sales at the best available market price and provides block tonnages that can be offered in larger volume without the usual disturbing effect of irresponsible offers. The pooling of interests also permits market research, sales promotion, sales training and other beneficial activities frequently too large in scope to be undertaken by a single company."-Julian E. Tobey, president, Appalachian Coals, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio.

MARKET ANALYSIS: Sharpen, Extend

More scientific market research is needed. This should include constant analysis of the prices of competitive fuels and the development of "imaginative" promotion lists which cover potential as well as existing customers. Such information would alert producers and distributors on where and when to pinpoint sales campaigns, whether these be aimed at home, industrial or commercial markets. The following are typical reports which indicate promising opportunities for increasing sales:

The use of electric power by major atomic energy plants has jumped from 2 billion kwh in 1945 to an estimated 43 billion kwh in 1955. Next year, consumption is expected to hit 61 billion kwh, 80% of which will be generated by coal.

A new model Campbell stoker was reported ready for production about September 1 by Automatic Solid Fuels, Inc. The improved model, following the successful reception of its predecessor, offers real hope for progress in the home market.

The Reynolds Metals Co. has announced plans to use coal to power a huge increase in primary aluminum capacity at a new Ohio River Valley plant. Richard S. Reynolds, company president, described the development as "marking the emergence of coal as a major source of electrical energy for aluminum production."

The Tampa Electric Co., reporting plans for its new Black Point plant,

said that this would be the first major utility in Florida and the Gulf area to use coal for electric power production. TECO president, W. C. MacInnes stated that the use of coal, precipitated by the increasing cost of oil, would guard against future cost increases and might well enable lowering rates later.

The Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co. recently bought a chemical plant in Newark, N. J. This is expected to provide an outlet for coal carbonization products in the making of raw materials for the chemical and plastics industries. As such projects materialize, the company looks for further expansion in its chemical refining operations.

A noted authority on hydroelectric development in the Pacific Northwest believes the area's power shortage, even more critical now than 4 yr ago, will continue for the next decade unless steam power plants are constructed. He adds that steam-generating systems, using a new "cyclone" furnace, can burn Washington coals successfully and produce electricity which would be "economically competitive with hydroelectric generation."

Exports of bituminous coal, including those to Canada, added up to 21 million tons for the first half of 1955—63% higher than last year's corresponding period. West Germany, one of the largest overseas markets, is expected to increase imports of U. S. coal by more than 100% during the last quarter of 1955. And representatives of German steel works have figured that total 1955 imports of U. S. coal will hit 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 tons, as compared to 1,800,000 in 1954.

"With expanding utility consumption we are very hopeful that the next 5 yr will see the coal industry on a profitable basis. Aggressive sales effort and reduced production costs will be necessary to meet oil and gas competition." — Stuart Colnon, president, Freeman Coal Mining Corp., Chicago, Ill.

LABOR: Relate Pay to Production

In the wake of 1955 production increases and general improvement in the coal industry, the UMWA and the nation's bituminous operators agreed in August on a record \$2 pay raise

and other benefits. Temporarily, this will take care of labor's needs. But, if production continues to rise as projected, pressures will start again for further pay increases. Producers who recognize that labor peace is vital to realize full expansion in coal markets should be prepared to give "reasonable" wage boosts as labor's fair share of the fruits of increased output. Although hard to pin down to the specific, "reasonable" might be defined as being that point beyond which further wage increases will put the price of coal at a competitive disadvantage with other fuels.

MINE-TO-MARKET: Reduce Costs; Diversify Methods

Mine-to-market costs will be a major factor in coal's battle to hold prices down. There should, therefore, be no let up in efforts to reduce or prevent increases in rail coal freight rates. At the same time, the current trend to develop the use of alternatives to rail transport should be encouraged. One alternative in increasing use is to ship by inland waterways. Another is to sell industrial customers on locating their plants near coal deposits. Promising but still relatively undeveloped are systems of transporting coal by overland belts and pipelines. Perhaps breaking the barriers to wider use of such systems, however. was the announcement on June, 1955. that the Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co, would build the first commercial coal-carrying pipeline in the United States. This will extend 108 mi from Georgetown, Ohio, to Eastlake, Ohio.

LEGISLATION: Push Redress Where Needed

The campaign must be continued to remove governmental barriers against free access to markets on a competitive basis. Legislation should not give other fuels so great a competitive advantage that it becomes unprofitable for the coal industry to keep production at levels consistent with national security and an expanding economy.

In keeping with such philosophy, the industry took action this year to stop continued raiding of coal's boiler fuel markets by natural gas, as sanctioned by the Federal Power Commission. The outcome of at least one case has been favorable to coal; decisions on a number of others are pending. Also, responding to pressures from coal and domestic oil producers, the Office of Defense Mobilization in September ordered oil importers to

cut excessive imports of residual oil voluntarily or face compulsory curbs.

Despite these efforts, much work remains to be done. The National Coal Association has defined the legislative program and objectives as follows:

 Quantitative restriction of residual oil imports and equalization of tariffs with other petroleum products.

2. Elimination of dumping of natural gas at less than cost.

Control of natural gas imports.
 Opposition to government sub-

sidy of atomic power plants.

5. Opposition to the construction of hydro and steam plants with public funds.

Adequate protection for coal in reciprocal trade agreements.

7. Elimination of discrimination against coal in government purchases.

8. Provision for a percentage depletion allowance that is fair compared to the allowance granted competitors.

Fair treatment in income and payroll taxes.

10. Immediate elimination of the transportation tax on coal.

 Opposition to unreasonable increases in the minimum wage prescribed by the Fair Labor Standards Act.

12. Elimination of the practice of loading deficits in certain railroad services onto other commodities, including coal,

13. Retention of the rule requiring the ICC to consider the effect of rate changes on traffic.

14. Opposition to further exemptions from the commodities clause of the Interstate Commerce Act.

"The industry is alerted to the overall needs in competing with other fuels, legislatively as well as in active promotion of the modern usage of coal. The job is integrated and therefore of primary concern to all segments of the industry."—M. L. Patton, president, Truax-Traer Coal Co., Chicago, Ill.

RESEARCH: Expand Existing Projects

Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the need for greater investment in the development of new or improved products, equipment and methods of production. In the last quarter-century, science and technology have become the touchstones of industrial progress. This has been most dramatically revealed in the growth of the aluminum, aviation,

electronics, atomic energy, and chemical processing industries. While the coal industry has begun and is currently conducting some highly significant research work, the overall investment is small compared to other industries. The average rate of research investment in industry is about 2% of sales. On this basis, the coal industry should be spending \$40-50 million annually, whereas the current expenditure is from \$5-10 million annually.

The direction of coal research has been well-conceived. Among the outstanding projects, for example, have been those concerned with the production of chemicals and oil from coal, the gasification of coal at the mine, and the development of overland belt and pipeline systems for transporting coal, automatic equipment for space heating, the coal-fired gas turbine and continuous mining equipment. With a few exceptions, however, such research efforts have seen only limited application.

Therefore, one of the most cogent needs is to expand investment in existing research projects to speed their wider commercial application. Since coal is currently considered to have a greater potential for cost reduction in future years than competitive fuels, the time is ripe for greater investment in development research. By greater investment now, the coal industry will be prepared to reap the benefits as price advantages for coal occur. The gains of research are not won overnight, More often, they are won over the years by the vision of men dedicated to future opportunity.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Seek Industry-Wide Program

The largest industries and most successful companies have long realized that selling the public is second in importance only to selling customers. although benefits from the former are usually more remote and less recognizable than those from the latter. Public opinion and attitudes are frequently the ultimate determinants or activating forces in many issues, as, for example, in the obtaining of investment funds. And developing confidence with the public is the result of persistent, programmed effort over a period of years. Many individual coal companies today do a fine public relations job. The need is greatest on the industry-wide level.

An aggressive, industry-wide and industry-supported public relations program should be generally aimed at educating the public on the vital role of coal in the nation's economy. More specifically, it should be designed to eliminate the public notion that the industry is "sick." As simple as some may seem to men in the industry, such points as the following could be publicized more widely to dispel popular misconceptions:

1. Coal is the energy backbone of the country. It represents 98.4% of the country's reserves of fossil fuels, oil % of 1% and gas % of 1%. Coal supplies about 42% of the nation's demands for fuels and power, petroleum 25%, natural gas 27% and hydroelectric power, less than 6%.

It is entirely possible that at least part of future needs for oil and natural gas will be met through their synthetic production from coal.

3. Steel and electric power, two of the country's largest and most basic industries, are coal's biggest markets not home heating and railroads.

4. Atomic energy, frequently considered a threat to coal's existence, depends very heavily on coal for its existence. Major atomic energy plants are expected to use about 61 billion kwh of electric power in 1956, 80% of which will be generated by coal.

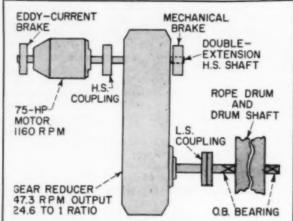
Coal is important to a wide variety of industries. It helps make cement, paper and glass. It is a major source of raw materials for new textiles, plastics, insecticides, explosives, drugs, fertilizers, paints, dyes and perfumes.

6. Coal's markets in home heating and railroads, having declined in recent years, now show possibilities of recovery. In home heating, modern automatic equipment is sparking the comeback; in railroads, it is the coalired gas turbine which may eventually operate at costs 60% or more lower than diesels.

"In my judgment the expanding of coal sales in the next 5 yr will be brought about by further use of coal in the utility market and the metallurgical market. The energy requirements of our country are going to be substantial in the next 5 yr which, in turn, will consume a greater tonnage of coal. The same is true with the expanding steel requirements which will mean more ovens and a greater consumption of coal. To me, these two outlets are the most est sential."-R. E. Salvati, president, Island Creek Coal Sales Co., Huntington, W. Va.



COMPACT hoist and controls fit neatly in space not covered with metal. Unit can be transported easily to new site.



▲ This hoisting setup . . . ▼ includes these components

Hoist Drive Motor

Westinghouse 75-hp Type CW wound-rotor induction, three-phase, 220/440-v, 1,160 full-load rpm.

Mechanical Brake

Type HI-167 electrical solenoid-operated thruster-type brake set for 214 ft-lb torque, including manual release lever with latching device and interlock switch.

Eddy-Current Brake

Dynamic Type 55W, including DC tachometer coupled on end, pressure switch, temperature switch, valves.

Gear Reducer

Type DHR-20, 1,160-rpm input speed, 47.8-rpm output speed, gear ratio, 24.25:1, shaft extension for brake.

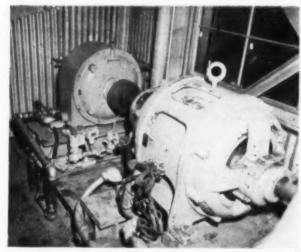
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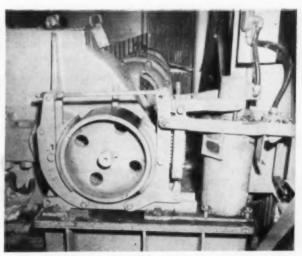
RETURNING to surface at end of shift, men turn in cap lamps in hoist building.



UNDERGROUND landing area is coated with sand-cement mixture. Crushed limestone covers floor.



EDDY-CURRENT BRAKE applies dummy load to hoist motor, slowing cage as it approaches landing.



THRUSTER BRAKE goes into action after eddy-current brake slows hoist speed and brings hoist to rest.

Low-cost compact friction-type hoist handles specially designed doubledeck cage in 72-in borehole at new manshaft saving 45 min travel time.

LOW COST, safety, compactness and simplicity are top features of the new manshaft and hoist installation at the Bunker Mine of the Trotter Coal Co., Cassville, W. Va. As a result of this low-cost installation, Trotter Coal has been able to save an average of 45 min in travel time and increase mine output.

The shaft was completed in July, 1954, when a new-type core drill intersected the mine workings (Coal Age, January, 1955, p. 80). The drill hole was lined with steel and several inches of concrete were placed behind it to fill the voids between the liner and the shaft wall. Water rings collect inflow, which is then drained to the foot of the shaft through a 6-in churndrill hole 5 ft from the shaft. The connecting passages between the rings and drill hole were drilled with a jackhammer.

Construction of the surface building housing the hoist, lamp racks and foremen's office began in January, 1955. On March 14, the new hoist and portal were put in service. Construction of the building was speeded by laying the walls with dry blocks and then covering exterior and interior with a sand-cement mixture to bind them together.

Management estimates that the

cage, hoist and auxiliary equipment could be dismantled, transferred and reassembled in a new building in about 10 days. All parts can be moved by truck, the heaviest unit being the hoist and gear reducer which weigh 61/2 tons.

DESIGNING THE CAGE AND CONTROLS

A special double-deck steel cage was designed and built to fit the circular shaft by the Connellsville Mfg. & Mine Supply Co. Each deck is 7 ft high, has 24.9 sq ft of floor space and can hold 10 men.

Both decks have Westinghouse



between man trip station and shaft.



REVOLVING DOOR at shaft bottom prevents air leakage SIX ROPES support double-deck cage. Other ends of ropes are attached to 8,500-lb counterweight.



NEW PORTAL features compactness and simplicity

HOIST DUTY

Hoisting distance	487 ft
Net wt, material in cage	4,000 lb
Wt empty cage, including attachments	6,500 lb
Cage type	Double Deck
Net wt of counterweight	
Rope diameter	0.75 in
Rope wt per ft	0.9 lb
Number of ropes	6
Hoist type	Koepe
Diameter, drive pulley	40 in
Diameter, auxiliary drive pulley	24 in
WR2 hoist rotating mechanical parts	2,934 lb ft
Maximum average cage speed	500 fpm
Reduced cage speed	60 fpm
Maximum drum speed	47.8 rpm
Motor synchronous speed	1,200 rpm
Gear ratio	
Operation	
Overall hoist mechanical efficiency	85%

pushbutton controls for operating the hoist and reset buttons for restarting it if the power should fail. The lower deck is equipped with a phone connected to the mine communication system and to the outside office. If the door on either deck is opened while the cage is in motion, a Westinghouse limit switch on the door stops the hoist and it cannot be started until the door is closed.

To enter the mine, a button is depressed to bring the cage to the surface if it is not already there. A second button is pushed when the cage is at rest on the surface to release the lock on the outer door leading to the shaft. This outer door cannot be unlocked and opened unless the cage is at that level.

The cage doors are not locked but must be closed before the hoist can be operated. After the passenger enters the cage he closes the door and pushes the "down" button, starting the cage on its downward journey. To return to the surface, the procedure is the same except that the "up" button is pushed after the passenger enters the cage and closes the door. It takes 55 sec for an empty cage to make the 467-ft trip and a maximum of 65 sec for a full cage. Two 40-lb rails attached to the shaft wall serve as guides while the cage moves up and down in the circular opening.

FRICTION HOIST LIFTS CAGE

Much of the compactness of the installation is the result of application of a Westinghouse friction-drive AC hoist to lift and lower the cage. With this hoist, a driving pulley replaces the conventional drum. At Trotter there are six grooves in the pulley to accommodate the six ¾-in Bethlehem ropes. The ropes are taken around the

grooves so that they contact only part of the pulley. Each of the six ropes is attached to the 6,500-lb cage and to the 8,500-lb counterweight. The load of the cage is divided equally between them.

The multiple-rope principle permits the use of smaller ropes and drive pulleys. With a small drive pulley, the driving motor can be of higher speed or the gear-reduction ratio can be decreased. Thus the hoisting unit can be smaller and lighter. The savings in weight and size make it possible for the hoist to be mounted directly over the shaft. Further, there is a lower peak power demand because of the reduction in inertia of rotating parts.

HOW THE CONTROLS WORK

The automatic hoist controls incorporate features designed to:

 Provide reversing control with low-voltage protection.

2. Stop the hoist at top or bottom of the shaft by closing track limit switch, No. 1, applying a Dynamatic eddy-current brake that decelerates the hoist at relatively constant rate to low speed. Then track limit switch No. 2 applies a mechanical thrustertype brake, bringing the hoist to a standstill.

Permit the hoist to start upward or downward from any position in the shaft by pushbuttons in both decks of the cage.

 Permit the hoist to be started upward by pushbutton at the top of the shaft or downward by pushbutton at the bottom of the shaft.

Prevent movement of the cage unless the gate switch contacts are closed at the top and bottom of the shaft and on the cage.

6. Operate an indicating light at the top and bottom of the shaft, indicating that the hoist cage is in motion.

An emergency-stop button is mounted in each deck of the cage. At each pushbutton station there is a reset pushbutton for resetting the undervoltage protection in case of overspeed, manual stopping on the cage, the Lilly controller protective device being initiated, loss of water pressure or over temperature in the eddy-current brake. The defect must be remedied before the hoist can be put in operation again.

Automatic deceleration of the cage to a slow speed when the cage is approaching the landing is provided by magnetic-amplifier control of the excitation to the eddy-current brake. The eddy-current brake applies a dummy load to the 75-hp Westinghouse AC wound rotor motor, permitting good speed control. Otherwise control is very poor. A limit switch about 50 ft from the landing initiates the deceleration. A DC tachometer and transformer combination compares the actual and the desired deceleration rates through the magnetic-amplifier field. The difference, or error, is amplified and supplies brake excitation. At a slow speed, 60 fpm, a speed-limit magnetic amplifier bypasses the deceleration magnetic amplifier and regulates cage speed at a slow rate until the cage is at the landing and a second track limit switch applies the thruster brake.

The magnetic contactors in the controller of the AC motor driving the hoist are DC-operated. Advantages are: less impact on closing and less wear. Therefore they can withstand severe service better. Lower currents are required and thus there is less wear on contacts of the master switches or auxiliary devices carrying the control currents.

The Coal Commentator

Equally Important

It is the improvements and refinements that bring out the real potentialities of a method, a machine or a type of material—at least in the majority of instances. Coal mining is no exception, and Coal Age has been at least a moderately vocal member of the growing group that believes that what you do after you put the machine, method or material into service is more likely than not to be as important in increasing efficiency as the machine, material or method itself.

Take, as an example, a variation in the old-reliable method of driving an entry with shuttle cars and loaders. Eleven headings make up the entry, and it originally was advanced by one loader and two shuttle cars. The change was to two loading machines and three shuttle cars, with the machines working from the outside toward the middle and the first unit to reach it loading out the center heading. Result? A major jump in tons per man with the expenditure of no more than some well-directed mental effort. Driving headings is not the only place

Maybe Your Own

such effort can pay off.

S-D Day now takes its place among the days and weeks set side for various purposes and projects from the frivolous to the deadly serious, "S-D" stands for "Safe Driving," and Dec. 1 is the day picked by the President's Committee on Traffic Safety. A look at the record makes it clear that this project is in the deadly serious class. The aim is to demonstrate that traffic accidents can be really cut when all drivers and pedestrians accept individual responsibility for accident prevention. It is a job for everybody, including business and industry. To participate in S-D Day activities, get in touch with the National Safety Council, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill. And make your own contribution by driving safely yourself, not only next Dec. 1 but now and every day. The life you save may be your own.

Determined Anthracite

Anthracite may possibly be surprising even its most ardent fans by the way it has been holding its business in 1955. As a result, though it still will experience a loss, it will be substantially less than many people, including anthracite producers themselves, expected. One reason is the dogged determination of the industry not to be counted out without a fight. With Queen Anthracite, Miss Gayle Charney, providing the glamor, and with a hard-

hitting promotion program based on modern equipment and convenient, low-cost, smokeless operation, anthracite is making a dent in public indifference and hostility—with the help, incidentally, of major increases in the costs of competitive fuels. At the same time, it has promising prospects in the industrial field in addition to such established outlets as iron-oxide pigments for paints, generating electric power and so on. Among the new prospects are pelletizing various types of iron ore and supplying a substantial part of a coal blend for metallurgical coking.

Prediction: Real resistance to further tonnage losses and the prospect of a reversal in the trend in the not-too-distant future.

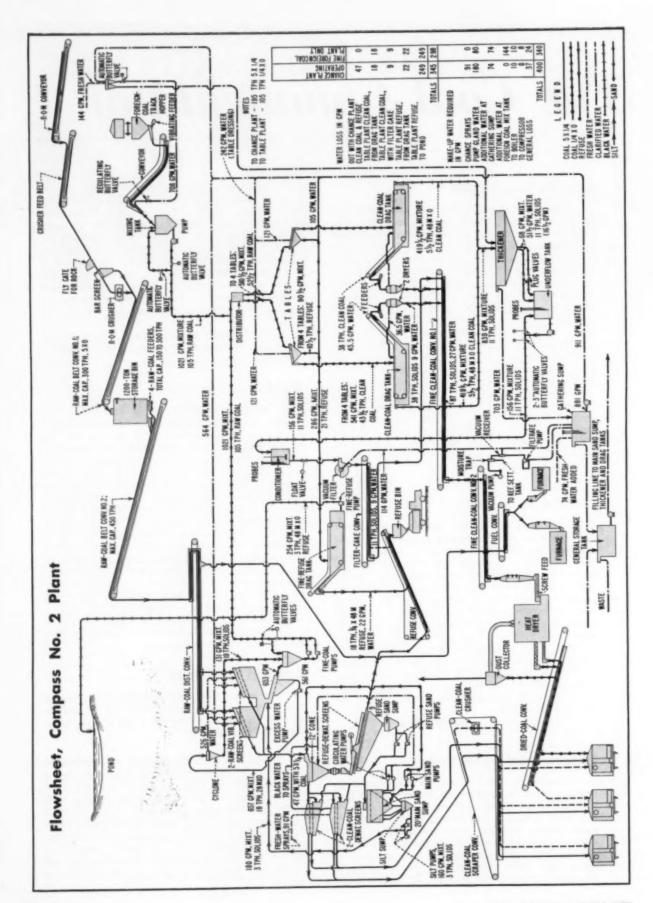
Golden Anniversary

Opening in Pittsburgh of the world's first theater devoted exclusively to motion pictures and driving an automobile over 100 mph for the first time at Daytona Beach were among the spectacular events of 50 years ago. But there were others in 1905 which, though not so prone to figure in the headlines, were destined to be judged as truly significant milestones in progress. One was the publication, in August, 1905, of the first issue of the O-B Monthly Bulletin, reflecting, among other things, Ohio Brass' growth from a 20-man plant in 1888 to the world's largest manufacturer of electric-railway supplies. In 1930, the Bulletin became O-B Haulageways, with an editorial content oriented to the needs of mining men here and abroad. Thus, the September, 1955, Anniversary Issue marks the end of half a century of significant contribution to the broader, safer and more-efficient use of electric power in mining. A salute to Haulage Ways, and to the Ohio Brass Co., for a job well done.

Around the Corner?

Is there to be a new industry-wide organization designed to do a more-efficient job for coal on all fronts-perhaps to bear the name of the "American Coal Institute"?

The idea is being talked up more and more, though it still appears that there may be an appreciable lag between idea and actual fact. Nevertheless, its proponents see significant advantages. With better direction and a more-adequate war chest, it would be easier to concentrate the power necessary to get results on industry problems, whatever their nature. This accounts for the growing number of insiders who believe that such an organization will be formed. Some say it may be just around the corner.





NEW COMPASS NO. 2 PLANT, at Dola, W. Va., tailors 450 tph of Pittsburgh seam to meet customers' needs. Features include total cleaning with cone and wet tables, drying, recovery of extreme fines and provision for future expansion.

Satisfying Today's Customers Goal in Compass No. 2 Design

Industrial and utility users benefit from automatic cleaning control and other modern facilities, while company profits from provisions for future expansion and for handling foreign coal, as well as duplicate units for smooth operation.

MEETING THE NEEDS of today's customers and anticipating future expansion to supply tomorrow's customers were the top aims in building the new Compass No. 2 preparation plant at Dola, W. Va. The 450-tph plant has been operating at full capacity since April 4 washing, drying and sizing coal from the Pittsburgh seam for industrial and utility customers. Plant features include a new automatic density control for the sandflotation cone that assures a top-quality product at all times; duplicate plant units to reduce the possibility of plant shutdown; provision for fu-ture expansion; and facilities for handling foreign coal.

Latest in an expansion and modernization program embarked on in 1945 at properties controlled by the Pittston Co., the Compass No. 2 plant makes available to the Pittston Clinchfield Sales Corp. an additional 1½ million tons of washed Pittsburgh coal per year. During the past coal year, ending in April, 1955, Pittston Clinchfield sold nearly 2 million tons of Pittsburgh coal and now is in position to boost that figure to 3½ million.

Completion of the Compass No. 2 plant marks the \$30,000,000 point in the plan to spend \$50,000,000 on new improvements and developments, including new facilities to meet the growing demand for a high-quality moderately priced high-volatile coal. In line with this program, the Compass Coal Co. was organized in 1949 as a subsidiary of the Clinchfield Coal Corp., Dante, Va. Starting from a strip mine producing 293,208 tons in 1949, the Compass property continued to expand into a 7,000-ton mine. In 1954 the original Compass mine produced 1,239,000 tons of coal from a

highly mechanized all-belt deep mine.

To assure ample coal reserves to supply customers' future needs, the Pittston Co. bought the Compass No. 2 and Chieftain No. 1 mines in October, 1953. Purchase of the mines added 100 million tons of Pittsburgh coal to the Compass reserves. Thus an ample supply was assured for the next 50 yr, making possible expansion to meet the growing demand for well-prepared coal from the Fairmont area.

Shortly after the new property was bought, plans were initiated for the addition of a new preparation plant that would be one of the most modern in the country. Before the new plant was designed, a great deal of engineering research was done to determine the quality of coal that could be expected with a cleaning plant. Special emphasis was placed on finding out what could be done with coal con-



COARSE-COAL CLEANING is done in 12-ft sand-flotation cone equipped with new automatic density control

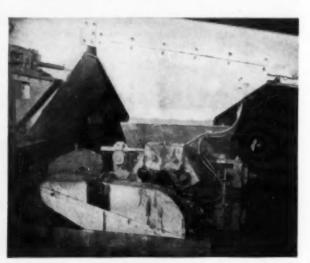


FINE-COAL CLEANING is assigned to eight wet tables.

Plant includes room for doubling units in future.



FINAL DRYING of smaller sizes is done by thermal unit that lowers moisture content to 2% if desired.



TWO-STAGE CRUSHER breaks large sizes of clean coal to make special stoker product with minimum of fines.

taining 41/2% or more sulphur. Many full-seam samples were taken from various areas of the mine and special samples also were gathered from the top bench of the seam which normally runs high in sulphur. Washability tests were made on the samples and studied carefully to determine if the sulphur content could be lowered to 21/2% without excessive reject in the washing process. Test results showed that raw coal with sulphur in excess of 41/2% could be washed efficiently to yield a product with 21/2% sulphur. On the basis of these results, management pushed ahead at full speed with plans for a new preparation plant including facilities for washing and drying all sizes.

Ground was broken for the plant in August, 1954, and it was turned over and given preliminary tests on March 31, 1955. Construction was rushed to completion through one of the severest winters in northern West Virginia in recent years so that the plant would be available by April of this year. Since April 4 the plant has been operating full scale on a two-shift basis and the fine-coal section has been working three shifts.

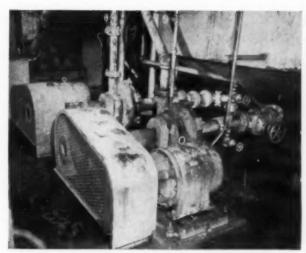
Design and construction of the new plant was handled by the Fairmont Machinery Co. Features of the plant include a Chance cone with the new Automatic Density Control for washing 5x¼ coarse coal, eight Deister SuperDuty Diagonal Deck wet-washing tables for cleaning ¼x0 fine coal, CMI and Humboldt centrifugal driers and a Link-Belt Multi-Louvre thermal drier. The plant also has a 50-ft Dorr thickener and an Eimco disk filter for recovering very fine coal from the

overflow from the clean-coal drag

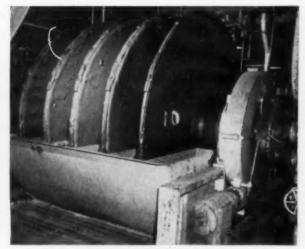
Incorporated in the basic design of the plant were space and provisions for doubling the capacity of the plant in the future. For example, space is available to permit installation of another Chance cone and eight additional tables. Auxiliary equipment, including pumps, conveyors and the like, also are installed in duplicate or designed to handle the larger capacity.

TWIN UNITS PREVENT DELAYS

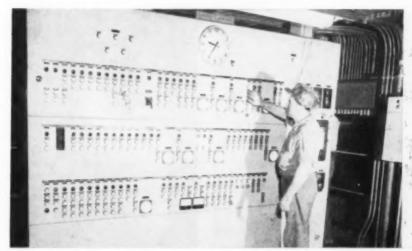
Duplicate equipment assures continuity of operation and was given top consideration in designing the plant. For example, duplicate lines are installed between the Dorr thickener and the Eimco filter and all solids pumps in the Chance cone circuit are duplicated. Spare units are installed so



DUPLICATE PUMPS for all main units permit fast changeover and thus assure continuity of operation.



DISK FILTER recovers 20 tph of extremely fine coal and is key unit in operating with closed water circuit.



PLANT CONTROL is centered at this pushbutton panel board, designed for one-man operation of the equipment.

that they can be put in service in a minimum of time.

The plant also includes facilities for unloading and handling the unwashed slack from the Compass No. 1 mine. Coal is delivered to the plant in railroad cars and unloaded into a 50-ton bin lined with stainless steel. A Robins car shakeout speeds car unloading. From the hopper, coal is delivered to a flight conveyor that carries it to a raw-coal mixing tank. There it is mixed with water and pumped to an eight-way distributor feeding the fine-coal cleaning section by a Nagle pump.

FEEDING THE PLANT

Coal from the Compass No. 2 drift mine is brought to the surface by a series of belt conveyors and elevated to a transfer station where it passes over a bar screen that removes the 5x0. The larger sizes are reduced to 5x0 by a Jeffrey 30x36 double-roll crusher. The two products combine and flow to a 36-in raw-coal belt conveyor that discharges into a 1,200-ton Marietta concrete-stave-type storage bin equipped with a Robt, Holmes & Bros. spiral lowering chute. The lowering spiral prevents degradation that would occur if the coal fell freely into the bin.

The bin serves a twofold purpose. First, it permits the preparation plant to operate at maximum efficiency by feeding a continuous flow of coal independently of the flow from the mine. Thus cleaning units, crushers, conveyors and so on will normally operate under a constant uniform load. Second, it permits third-shift operation of the fine-coal section to

clean the 4x0 coal from Compass No. 1 by providing storage capacity for any coal mined at No. 2 on the third shift.

Two raw-coal feeders transfer coal onto an elevating belt conveyor that discharges it onto a 42-in raw-coal distributing conveyor feeding two Allis-Chalmers 6x16-ft Ripl Flow vibrating screens that wet screen the coal into 4x0 and 5x4 fractions. The larger size passes to the Chance cone and the 4x0 flows over a 28M fixed screen that removes the excess water before the coal flows to the fine-coal tank. Excess water and the 28Mx0 coal is pumped to a Heyl & Patterson cyclone that concentrates the solids for delivery to the fine-coal tank. Cyclone overflow is recirculated and used for wet screening.

As the coal flows through the plant it is automatically weighed at various points by Fairbanks-Morse belt scales.

CLEANING THE COAL

A 12-ft Chance cone equipped with an Automatic Density Control handles the job of cleaning the 5x1/4 coal. Clean coal is discharged onto two 4x16-ft Allis-Chalmers Low Head vibrators that separate it into 5x1 egg, and 1x1/4 stoker pea. Screen products then flow to a two-compartment cleancoal scraper conveyor and are loaded on any of the three tracks. The plant is designed so that any clean coarse size may be delivered to a two-stage Gundlach crusher and reduced to any size down to % in top size. The crusher is used primarily to make a special high-quality spreader stoker coal with a minimum of fines. Flexibility also is incorporated to permit coarse sizes to be mixed with washed and dried fine sizes before loading.



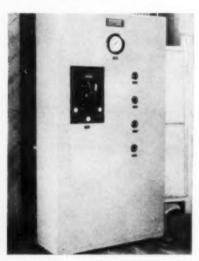
VERSATILE loader performs a variety of jobs such as cleaning up at slate bin and around loading tracks.



COMPASS PLANNERS—Henry Weatherholt (left), Compass 2 Div. supt., and E. E. Criswell, vice president.



QUALITY CONTROL is centered in laboratory adjoining plant. Results of daily analyses are available to customers and management in a minimum of time.



AUTOMATIC DENSITY CONTROL keeps cone at a predetermined gravity.

AUTOMATIC CONTROL OF CONE DENSITY

Smoother performance and better separation of coal and refuse in the Chance cone is achieved with a new Fairmont Automatic Density Control. The new control is the fifth unit put in operation in the coal industry and is designed to make separation of coal and refuse at a predetermined gravity. Compass, as well as the other operations, report good results with the new unit. Up to the time this control was developed by Fairmont, dependable measurement of cone density was virtually impossible. The new unit makes possible dependable measurements of the density and automatic regulation.

Density changes in the cone are achieved by varying the water supply from each gravity ring to affect the density in the zone above its introduction. Before the new control was developed this was done manually and efforts were made to measure density in each area between the rings. The new control measures the density in each zone by impulse lines that lead to the panel board where it is registered as specific gravity. Once the predetermined gravity has been set on the control board, the automatic control regulates the density in each zone and maintains it at that level.

The density pattern maintained in the cone is said to be remarkably uniform. This feature permits good separation and nearly instantaneous removal of refuse. Thus accumulations of near-gravity material that plug the cone are eliminated. A recently developed rubber-sleeve squeeze-type air-actuated valve that replaces the

ordinary hand valves makes possible the rapid changes in gravity.

Typical operating results with the new control at Compass No. 2 are shown in the following sink-float test results:

Refuse	Clear	Coal	
	1/4x1,	1x5,	
% Float	% Sink	% Sink	
0.44	0.37	0.32	
0.18	0.59	0.27	
0.59	0.34	0.28	
0.32	0.45	0.27	
0.27	0.19	0.18	
0.19	0.23	0.21	

The fine-coal section of the plant is designed to handle 105 tph of raw ¼x0 coal. About 1,021 gpm of fine coal and water are pumped from the fine-coal tank to an eight-way revolv-

Table 1.—How Compass Coal Analyzes After Preparation

	Slack	Screened Sizes
Moisture	3.1	3.2
Ash	6.5	7.1
Volatile Matter	38.7	38.2
Fixed Carbon	51.7	51.5
Btu (As red)	13.671	13,620
Sulphur	2.4	2.8
Ash Softening Temp	2,170	2.280

ing distributor that feeds equal quantities of raw coal to the eight coalwashing tables. Clean coal from the tables is split and the two equal volumes are directed to separate cleancoal drag tanks. Each drag conveyor discharges to a Jeffrey-Traylor vibrating feeder that delivers coal to a CMI centrifugal drier. A Bird Humboldt unit is maintained as a spare. Moisture content is reduced to about 6% by the mechanical driers and final drying is assigned to a Link-Belt Multi-Louvre thermal drier that can reduce moisture in the final product to 2% if desired. The drier is equipped with a Multiclone dust collector that traps the fine coal in the drier exhaust and returns it to the dried-coal convevor.

Cleaned and dried ¼x0 is delivered to a flight conveyor and deposited separately in railroad cars on Track 1 or mixed with the clean coarse coal before loading. The ¼x1 stoker pea is loaded on Track 2 and the 1x5 on Track 3.

Overflow from the two drag tanks flows to a 50-ft Dorr thickener, Dual pipelines are provided to carry the thickener underflow to a tank from which it is pumped to an 8x8 Denver conditioner. From there it is fed to an Eimco disk filter that recovers about 20 tph of fine coal. The filter cake is carried to the fine-coal conveyor and mixed with the products from the centrifugal driers.

Refuse from the Chance cone is dewatered and desanded on a Parrishtype shaker screen and is carried by flight conveyor to the refuse bin. Table refuse passes to a fine-refuse drag tank for dewatering before being delivered to the refuse conveyor. Combined refuse from the fine and coarse coal sections is hauled to a refuse-disposal area by truck. Plant reject averages out at about 17%. A Hough Payloader handles utility work such as cleaning up around the refuse bins and loading booms.

Plant operation is handled by a 12man crew as follows: 4 car droppers, 1 car trimmer, 1 cone operator, 1

Equipment and Motors, Compass No. 2 Plant

		otors - Hp. Each		Mo Num- ber	tors Hp. Each
ROM crusher	1	100	Dried-coal conveyor	1	20
Oil pump	1	1/4	Thickener	1	2
Raw-coal belt conveyor No. 1	1*	30	Conditioner	1	10
Raw-coal storage bin			Vacuum filter	1	2
Raw-coal feeders	2	73/2	Vacuum pump	1	60
Raw-coal belt conveyor No. 2	1*	30	Filtrate pump	1	5
Raw-coal distributing conveyor	1*	20	Blower	1	3
Furnace fuel conveyor	1*	5	Refuse-dewatering screen		15
Raw-coal vibrating screens	2	10	Fine-refuse drag tank	1*	71/2
Main sand pumps	2	40	Filter-cake conveyor	1 *	5
Circulating water pumps	2	75	Refuse conveyor	1 *	15
Refuse sand pumps	2	25	Foreign-coal car shakeout	1	20
Cone agitator	1	71/2	Car-shakeout hoist	1	6
Refuse gates			Foreign-coal feeders	2	1
Sand valve		2.5	Foreign-coal conveyor	1	20
Clean-coal dewatering screens.	2	10	Condensate pump	1	10
Clean-coal scraper conveyor	1*	20	Blower	1	71/2
Clean-coal crusher	1	50	Air compressor	1	1
Table distributor (reversing)	1	1	Stoker	1	1
Coal-washing tables	8	3	Unit heaters		**
Clean-coal drag tanks	2*	71/2	Air compressor	1	25
Fine clean-coal feeders	2	1	Excess-water pump	1	40
Drier centrifugal drive	1	30	Fine-coal pumps	2	50
Drier vibrator drive	1	5	Silt pumps	2	15
Drier oil pump	1	1/8	Thickener-underflow pump	1	20
Centrifugal drier No. 2	1	50	Gathering-sump pump	1	60
Drier hoist (1½-ton)			Refuse pump to silt pond	1	15
Fine clean-coal conveyor No. 1	1*	15	Service pump	1	30
Fine clean-coal conveyor No. 2	1*	20	Foreign-coal pump	1	75
Fine-coal feed conveyor to heat			Rock gate (reversing)	1	5
drier	1	10	Roof ventilator	1	2
Heat-drier fluid drive	1	30	Roof ventilator		1.3
Feed and discharge screw	1	15	Control-room blower		11/2
Spill screw	1	3	Building hoist (3-ton)	1	8
Exhaust fan	1	150	Horsepower, sand-flotation		
Dust valve		34	plant		4771/2
Stoker drive	1	1	Horsepower, foreign coal		1531/2
Forced-draft fan	1	71/2	Horsepower, fine-coal plant *Motoreducer.		65734

drier operator, 1 pump operator, 1 mechanic, 1 electrician, 1 truck driver and 1 foreman.

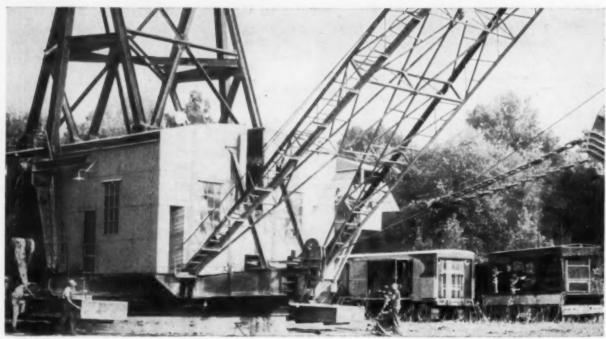
QUALITY CONTROL

Quality control rates top consideration at the Compass No. 2 plant. A fully equipped laboratory was built adjacent to the cleaning plant to permit analyses to be made as quickly as possible. Results therefore can be made available to management and customers in a minimum of time. Facilities are available for making complete proximate analyses and a Gilson mechanical testing screen is on hand for making sizing tests.

All sizes are sampled regularly throughout all the loading shifts and a composite analysis is made for each size for each shift. Special samples are taken as necessary to provide information on coal quality. At regular intervals, duplicate samples are sent to Commercial Testing Co. for analysis, and the results are compared with those from the plant laboratory.

The Compass goal with the new cleaning plant is to provide customers with a high-quality uniform product. Completion of the plant makes the following washed sizes available from the Compass Nos. 1 and 2 plants: slack (various), nut-and-slack (various), special spreader stoker coal, pea, stoker pea, stoker, nut, and egg (various). In addition to the regular sizes, Compass makes modified slack sizes for special uses and to any degree desired by the customer.

To provide the new cleaning facilities with a steady stream of coal, Compass has a fully mechanized all-belt mine. Coal is delivered to the preparation plant over a network of belt conveyors whose total length is more than 13,000 ft. To improve the efficiency of the mine and increase output, two continuous miners have been added. Backing up the continuous miners is other equipment including Joy 11-BU loaders, shuttle cars. universal cutting machines and special roof-bolting units.



FAST 7-MI MOVE of 560-ton 131/2-yd dragline was achieved in 7 days with aid of two 315-kw mobile generator sets. Saxton Coal Corp. negotiated all easements with property owners before move began.

Mobile Power Units Cut Cost of

Estimated savings of \$15,000 and 24 fewer mov- a total of 630 kw available for moving. ing days are top benefits from using mobile generator sets to supply power for 7-mi move.

MOVING a 560-ton Marion 7400 walking dragline 7 mi with mobile power has recently been completed by the Saxton Coal Corp., Petersburg, Ind. It is believed to be the first time a dragline of this size has been moved that far with this type of power in only 7 days.

Initial planning for the huge undertaking began over 11/2 yr ago. Many details were considered, including selecting the best route, the approximate date and the all-important question of what kind of power to use.

A power source was needed to provide enough energy for the dragline to walk and also to make some of its own cuts. Three methods of moving the unit were possible:

1. The unit could be disassembled and then reassembled at the new site. This would cost approximately \$60,000 and take 3 mo.

2. Utility power could be used, which meant erecting power lines, taking them down and erecting them again. This method would cost about \$45,000 and consume some 30 days. 3. Mobile power could be used, which would cost about \$30,000 and take less time.

PLANNING THE MOVE

About a year ago executives from Saxton were attending a meeting of the Open Pit Mining Association in Hibbing, Minn. During this time a Caterpillar mobile electric set, powered by a Caterpillar D397 engine and capable of delivering 315 kw, was on display in the downtown area. Bernard Youngs, Saxton vice president, and Darwin Youngs, general manager, inquired about the possibility of using this set for the move.

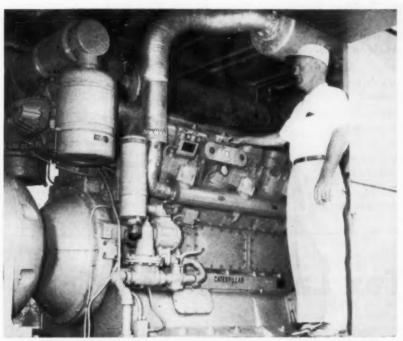
Upon returning home further negotiations were carried out with Caterpillar, and a tentative date for the move was arranged. It was also agreed that the second unit was necessary and that it also should be a D397 to reduce complications. This set was located and rented from Geo. M. Brewster & Son, Inc., Bogota, N. J., making

After the mobile electric units were arranged for, right-of-way easements across private property had to be negotiated. Working permits also were acquired for the railroad and powerline crossings. It took 6 mo to get these.

Payments for easements across private property were arranged on a per acre basis. Crop damage was considered as a separate item and was paid for after the dragline crossed the property. Usually a 100-ft swath was used for the passage. Damage to fences was handled in two ways. Either the farmer would repair his own fence, keep records of his time and materials for reimbursement or a temporary fence would be set up and a permanent one erected after the dragline had reached its destination. The farmer usually selected the secand course.

WHAT THE OBSTACLES WERE

With the preparation completed. the dragline was ready to be walked from the old area near Somerville, Ind., to Oakland City. The first obstacle was a 69,000-v power line owned by the Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co. This line could be crossed only on Sunday because no alternate



SAXTON PRESIDENT Kenneth Youngs inspects one of the two mobile sets that supplied 630 kw to the dragline while in transit.

Long Dragline Move

line that could handle the existing week-day load was available. After this crossing, only a short distance was covered before State Highway 57 was encountered.

For the highway crossings, assistance was received from the state highway patrol and all traffic was detoured. To protect the asphalt road, the dragline heaped 5 ft of dirt on it. Then two Caterpillar D7 tractors dressed up the dirt and the immediate approaches.

A second state highway, No. 64, was crossed similarly. All asphalt roads received a protective covering. Gravel roads, however, were crossed by building approaches only.

For crossing railroad tracks, rails and ties were removed. It was necessary to remove two rails and the ties under them from each track. This work was done by the respective railroad companies. The New York Central was crossed at two different places and the Algiers, Winslow & Western R. R. was crossed once. To cross these roads after the rails and ties were removed, no protective covering was used. However, approaches were built by the dragline and the D7 tractors.

Power lines were taken down by the power company crews. All the lines carried 33,000 v except one that carried 69,000.

A total of seven roads, five power lines and three railroads were crossed. Only labor charges were levied by the owners.

WALKING THE DRAGLINE

One thousand feet of power cable was used to walk the dragline. This permitted the unit to travel 2,000 ft before the mobile electric sets had to be unhooked and moved 1,000 ft ahead of the dragline.

Whenever possible the dragline worked around the clock. However, when highways, railroads or power lines were reached, night travel ceased. To handle this round-the-clock operation took three 6-man crews. This did not include the Caterpillar personnel which had charge of the electric sets or the supervisory personnel of Saxton.

Tests conducted on surrounding bottom land showed that no solid footing existed in some areas down to 75 ft. The top layer rested on sand or muck and in one spot the sod started to ball up in front of the dragline tub. It took about 1 hr to cross this spot with the help of the D7. In similar areas that followed the sod was removed to prevent a recurrence.

There was always the danger in areas such as this that the dragline would sink.

Crossing the South Fork of the Patoka River presented the greatest potential risk. This river is about 50 ft wide and 12 ft deep. Although the flow is not great there was the threat of a heavy rain turning the river into a torrent.

Instead of laying tubes in the stream bottom, a diversion canal was built to bypass the water. To permit the dragline to cross, approximately 3,000 cu yd of dirt was dug by the unit when it arrived at the river. The crossing was not prepared previously because the fill had to be kept as dry as possible. Despite this precaution, the tub sank into the fill as much as a foot. If trouble had been experienced at this spot the journey would probably have ceased and the disassembling job begun.

After crossing the Patoka the dragline dug out the channel. In the meanwhile the D7's were clearing the land ahead and skimming the top soil from the soft bottom land.

The dragline bucket was useful not only for digging but also for a counterweight. When traversing soft spots or hills the bucket was lowered and permitted to dig itself into the earth. This greatly improved the unit's stability.

Several times the route passed over water lines. It also passed over the Little- and Big-Inch pipelines. Before passing over these lines, a protective cover of earth was laid over the area, the depth of fill varying according to the depth of the lines.

To maintain friendly relations with the landowners along the route a second D7 with dozer and a Bucyrus Erie 15B dragline were rented to restore the damaged terrain. In many instances, farmers' lands were improved. The extra dozer was used to clear land ahead of the dragline.

Good weather prevailed throughout the journey and only minor troubles occurred. Considering the length of the route and the hazards, the operation went well. At the end, Bernard Youngs, Saxton vice president, concluded that "Mobile power is the only way to move one of these machines. The mobile sets supplied adequate power for the dragline. While walking the peak load was 560 kw; digging, 600 kw. More power was required when the unit traveled downhill since it had to be lifted against the grade in such operation. Voltage at the electric sets never dropped more than 5% during the peak loads. not including the line loss in 1,000 ft

Check These Points Before Figuring Your Next Tax Return:

- 1. What is meant by "percentage depletion" and when should it be used instead of "cost depletion" in figuring property depreciation?
- 2. What two new methods are available for computing depreciation on mine improvements?
- 3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of combining separate operating or nonoperating (royalty) mineral interests?
- 4. When does the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 permit combining of geographically separated mineral interests?
- 5. When can a mine operator deduct percentage depletion on mine wastes?

- 6. When should a deduction for mine exploration expenditures be passed over one year and carried to another?
- 7. What changes in the 1954 tax code affect the treatment of capital gains on royalties?
- 8. What trends in interpretation are indicated by recent court decisions on tax treatment of backfill costs, "economic interest," and property evaluation?

The answers to the above questions, given by Mr. Wood in this article, may lighten the burden of solving your complex and special income tax problems. They may also help you cut your tax bill in the future.

How New Tax Laws Benefit Coal

A specialist on coal mining taxation looks at the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and finds cost-cutting advantages in new methods of taxing coal income.

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THE FIELD OF FEDERAL IN-COME TAXATION is constantly undergoing change. New laws, court decisions, and administrative rulings require continual study by a coal operator or his tax advisor so that full advantage can be taken of every opportunity to keep the burden of taxation at the lowest possible level. Certain recent developments in income taxation are of interest to the coal industry. Particularly important is the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, containing changes in the methods of taxing coal income. The most pertinent are discussed below.

Percentage Depletion

Origin—Percentage depletion is by no means a recent development, but it is difficult to discuss the taxation of natural resources without first going back for a review of this very important subject. Usually the coal producer has a monetary investment in his mineral contents. As he removes the mineral from the ground his investment is reduced. This is similar to the owner of a machine who gradually loses his investment in the machine as it is used and wears out. The ma-

chine owner is allowed an annual tax deduction for depreciation to compensate for the exhaustion of his asset. Likewise, the coal producer is entitled to an annual tax deduction to compensate for the wasting of his investment in the mineral content. The annual deduction, or "cost depletion," is allowed, generally on a per ton basis, until the total investment is recovered as a tax deduction. In summary, cost depletion is a form of depreciation of an asset.

Definition - Percentage depletion, which may be taken as a tax deduction instead of cost depletion, involves an entirely different concept. In simplest terms, percentage depletion is a tax deduction computed as a percentage of gross income from the mining operation (10% in the case of coal) and limited to 50% of the taxable income from the mining operation. The coal producer will figure the percentage depletion both ways and take whichever answer is smaller to use as a tax deduction in place of his allowance for cost depletion. The cost depletion figure will be used, however, if it results in a larger tax deduction than percentage depletion.

Lifetime Deduction—One important feature of percentage depletion is that the aggregate deduction over the life of the property is not limited to the investment in the mineral content. The tax deduction is allowed as long as coal is extracted from the property and it produces a net income. On the other hand, cost depletion is not allowed after the investment has been recovered by way of tax deductions. Percentage depletion may give the owner a portion of tax-free income long after his investment is recovered.

The following example illustrates the advantage of percentage depletion:

Gross income from mining property	100 000
Casts of mining	86,000
Costs of mining	00,000
Taxable income from mining property	\$14,000
Cost depletion—recovering the mineral investment on a per ton basis—assuming 1c per	
ton for 25,000 tons	\$250

In this case, the owner has percentage depletion of 10% of \$100,000, or 50% of \$14,000, whichever is lower. He is thus entitled to percentage depletion of \$7,000. This figure is more advantageous than his cost depletion of \$250 and so he takes a tax deduction for the higher amount. Basically, "gross income" means the amount for which the coal is sold, less the rents and royalties paid by the producer on the property. Generally speaking "taxable income" is the gross income from the property less the direct and indirect costs of mining the coal. Taxable income is computed without a deduction for depletion.

1954 Tax Code Changes

Mine Improvements-It is common practice for the coal producer to depreciate mine improvements by the unit of production method or the straight-line method. Under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, which was enacted Aug. 16, 1954, mine improvements may be depreciated for the first time by two additional methods. The new alternatives are referred to as the "double declining balance" and "sum-of-the-years' digits" methods. Since the new methods result in greater deductions for depreciation during the early years of life of an asset, the coal producer should review the methods for possible tax advan-

Aggregating Operating Interests-In percentage depletion, the deduction is computed as a percentage of gross income or of taxable income from the property. The term "property" was not defined in the tax law before 1954. However, in the regulations published by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the term "property" was defined as a taxpayer's interest in each separate mineral property. The new tax law defines the term as "each separate interest owned by the taxpayer in each mineral deposit in each separate tract or parcel of land." This definition conforms generally with the definition contained in the regulations under the old law. Percentage depletion must be computed separately on each property as that term is defined under the new law.

Under the old law, the commissioner permitted two or more mineral properties to be considered a single 'property" provided the mineral properties were included in a single tract or parcel of land and provided such treatment was consistently followed. Under the new tax law, a coal producer may elect to aggregate two or more separate operating mineral interests which constitute all or a part of an operating unit. There are two advantages to aggregating mineral properties:

- 1. It will eliminate the great deal of record keeping which is required to compute gross income and mining costs for each separate property. This advantage has no offsetting disadvantage tax-wise.
- 2. It may result in a greater allowance for depletion. This advantage is demonstrated by the following illustration. Assume that "X" owns a parcel of land containing two separate seams of coal. He operates one mine for both seams.

	Seam A	Seam B	Totals
Gross income.	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$300,000
Mining costs Taxable			
income 10% of gross		12,000	62,000
income	20,000	10,000	30,000

25,000

31,000

6.000

50% of tax-

able income

If "X" computes depletion on Seams A and B separately, he will be entitled to \$20,000 for Seam A, the lesser of \$20,000 or \$25,000, and \$6,000 depletion on Seam B, the lesser of 10% of gross income or 50% of taxable income. If "X" elects to aggregate Seams A and B, he will be entitled to a deduction for \$30,000. this amount being less than 50% of the combined taxable income. By aggregating, operator "X" gains a tax advantage of \$4,000.

The major disadvantage in aggregating mineral properties stems from the fact that once an election to combine is made, the aggregation must be maintained for all future years unless permission is received from the Internal Revenue Service to unravel the combination. This "binding election" feature should cause the taxpaver to think of the future before electing to aggregate his properties.

Here is what can happen. In the above example, assume that Seam B becomes a loss operation. In a subsequent year, the depletion set-up of 'X" might then look like this:

	Seam A	Seam B	Totals
Gross income.	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$300,000
Mining costs Taxable	150,000	136,000	286,000
income 10% of gross	50,000	36,000	14,000
income 50% of tax-	20,000	10,000	30,000
able income	25,000		25,000

Operator "X" has previously elected to aggregate his properties so he is now entitled to percentage depletion in the amount on 50% of his combined taxable income of \$14,000 or \$7,000 (the \$7,000 being less than 10% of gross income or \$30,000). If "X" had not previously elected to aggregate, he would have been allowed depletion of \$20,000 on Seam A and zero depletion on Seam B. His loss on depletion amounts to \$13,000 for this year.

Another disadvantage is that the aggregated properties are considered one property for all income-tax purposes. As a result, if one of the properties becomes worthless, the taxpayer may have difficulty in proving a loss because he is unable to allocate his depletion reserve between the prop-

When aggregating two or more separate operating mineral interests as part of an operating unit, there are several important points to remember:

- 1. The taxpayer can combine only operating mineral interests, that is, an interest in which the taxpayer has the right to mine coal.
- 2. The combination has to be within an operating unit. Unfortunately the law does not define an operating unit. It is hoped, however, that a practical approach will be taken so that interests will be considered operating units when they can be conveniently and economically operated together. This can be determined after considering geographical location, organization and supervision of personnel, equipment, and storage and disposal of the coal. In aggregating mineral properties for percentage depletion under the old law, properties geographically separated could not be combined for percentage depletion. Under the new law, geographically separated properties can be combined if they are within the same operating unit. This may be an advantage, for example, to truck miners who are working in several separated areas but handling the total operation as a single operating unit.
- 3. There can be only one combination within an operating unit. If any property is not combined, percentage depletion must be separately computed for that property.

As one example of how aggregation works, Taxpayer "A" owns a tract of land under which there are three separate seams of coal. He mines coal from all three seams and maintains one operating unit. Under the general rule he has to compute depletion for each seam. He elects to aggregate the three properties into one and so he makes only one computation of depletion.

As another example, Taxpayer "B" mines coal on six separate tracts of land which he operates as one mine. Under the general rule he has six separate properties and one working unit. He elects to combine five of the properties. He then makes one computation of depletion for the five combined and an additional computation for the one not combined. At a later date he adds a seventh parcel of land to the operating unit. He elects to add this parcel to the previous combination of five.

The election to aggregate existing properties was to have been made with the tax return for the first taxable year beginning after Dec. 31, 1953. For future acquisitions, an election can be made in the year during

which expenditures for exploration, development or operation are first incurred with the new operating interest.

At this writing the commissioner has not issued his regulations interpreting the new law as it relates to aggregation of properties. It is hoped that these regulations will contain a definition of an operating unit. In the absence of regulations, the Treasury Department has ruled that if a taxpayer must file a return before the last day of the third month after the month regulations are published, he may change treatment of an elected interest, provided an amended return is filed by the last day of the third month.

Aggregating Royalty Interests—The owner of nonoperating, or royalty, mineral interests may combine such interests if he can demonstrate to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that an undue hardship is avoided by the aggregation. Here again, once the combination is set up, it cannot be changed without the permission of the commissioner. In addition, all royalty interests must be located in a single tract of land or in two or more tracts with common boundaries.

An example of an undue hardship which might qualify is where the property bases of two royalty interests cannot be separated for purposes of computing cost depletion.

Mine Waste—For the first time, the 1954 code permits a mine operator to take a deduction for percentage depletion when waste dumps are reworked. This permission is granted only to the operator who created the waste dump.

Mine Exploration-The tax law permits a taxpayer to deduct mine exploration expenditures which are incurred before the development stage of the mine is reached. Such expenditures include those made to determine the existence, location, extent or quality of coal. Under the old law, the annual deduction was limited to \$75,000 for each taxpayer. Under the new law, the annual deduction is increased to \$100,000. Any excess over the \$100,000 is considered an ordinary investment in the property to be recovered through cost depletion. Also the annual deduction can be taken only for 4 yr, after which expenditures are to be capitalized as ordinary investments. Instead of deducting the exploration expenditures, a taxpayer may elect to capitalize and recover them on a "per-ton" basis as the coal is mined.

Since the deduction is allowed only

for 4 yr regardless of whether the full \$100,000 is taken each year, the coal operator might find it advantageous to pass over the deduction in a year of small expenditures to take advantage of a higher deduction in a later year. Consider the case of "Y" who has exploration expenses as follows:

Total						0																\$390,000
1958.	8		×		×	*		8		×	×								+	*		100,000
1957.	*	×		*		×						×			*	*	×					15,000
1956.	*		×		*	*		*		*	*	×	*			*		×	*	×		90,000
1955.	,	*	,		*		,		×				*	*		*	*	*			×	100,000
																						\$85,000

If "Y" deducts his exploration costs for the first 4 yr, he will get a total tax deduction of \$290,000 plus a capital investment of \$100,000. If "Y deducts his costs for 1954, 1955, 1956 and 1958, he will get a tax deduction of \$375,000 plus a capital investment of \$15,000. While theoretically his capital investment will eventually result in a tax deduction through cost depletion, as a practical matter, the deduction for cost depletion will probably be eliminated by percentage depletion and thereby lost. In all probability, the result of this tax planning will be an additional tax deduction of \$85,000.

Capital Gain on Royalties-Under certain conditions, a person who receives royalty income from coal, and retains an "economic interest" in the coal, is permitted to treat the royalty income as capital gain, thereby subjecting that income to a tax rate no greater than 25%. An "economic interest" is present when the taxpayer must look solely to the coal for capital or profit return. Such would be the case where a coal owner leases the coal to an operator and the owner is to receive a royalty based on tons of coal produced. One condition to be met is the royalty owner must have held the coal more than 6 mo before disposal. Another is that the royalty owner must not be a partner, principal, or coadventurer in producing the coal. A third condition is that the capital gain must be measured by the excess of the amount received over the pro-rata portion of the taxpayer's tax basis in the property.

This liberal tax treatment was permissible under the old tax law, but two changes were made by the new

- The capital gains treatment was extended to the sublessor of the coal provided he retains an economic interest in the coal.
 - 2. The capital gain is reduced for

costs incurred in making the contract under which the disposal took place and costs incurred in maintaining the economic interest. Under prior law, these costs generally were taken as ordinary deductions thereby maintaining the maximum tax advantage. Congress intended this provision to cover such expenses as state and local taxes, insurance costs, bookkeeping and technical supervision costs incurred in the administration of the contract, flood control, legal fees, and costs of measuring quantities of coal disposed of under the contract.

Precedents

Backfill Costs—When a strip miner strips coal from the ground, he is generally burdened with some obligation to conduct backfill operations. The obligation may stem from his contract or lease, or from state law. His backfill costs are an operational expense and so are a tax deduction. The cash-basis taxpayer has little problem for he takes the tax deduction when he pays the expenses of backfilling. The accrual-basis taxpayer has the problem of deciding whether he should take the deduction in the year the coal is removed, or in the subsequent year that backfilling is done.

A number of taxpayers have contended in court that they should be allowed to deduct a reserve for backfill costs simultaneously with the stripping of the coal. Taxpayers have lost these cases primarily because the backfill costs deducted were estimated unreasonably. In a recent case, the Tax Court of the United States pointed out that to have any degree of success in getting a deduction, the estimate of backfill costs must be made with reasonable accuracy. To make a reasonable estimate, a strip miner must consider such things as the depth of the overburden to be replaced, the distance it is to be moved, drainage, planting, cost of labor, and the availability of machinery. Deducting a flat rate per ton of coal removed, based on a sheer guess, will not get much consideration from the courts. On the basis of recent cases, however, it appears that an accrual taxpayer might obtain the deduction if he has a reasonable basis for his estimate.

"Economic Interest"—Any taxpayer who has an "economic interest" in a coal deposit is entitled to percentage depletion, except the royalty owner who gets capital gains treatment on his royalties.

The strip mine contractor must decide when he has the economic interest necessary to permit the deduction for percentage depletion. In 1950 the Treasury Department ruled that coal stripping contractors would be allowed a depletion deduction where the following conditions were met:

- 1. The contract may not be terminated at will or upon nominal notice.
- The contractor must look to the extraction and sale of the coal for his compensation.

In a recent case, Paul E. Barry, Inc., TCM 1955-12, Barry was given the right by Comfort to strip tracts of lands. Comfort had the right to purchase all of the coal from Barry before it could be offered to anyone else. Barry sold the coal to Comfort at a negotiated price. The cost of backfilling was borne by Barry. The court held that Barry had an economic interest and was therefore entitled to depletion. The fact that Barry had to sell its coal to Comfort apparently did not disturb the court because the sales price was not a predetermined amount. This conclusion follows the thinking of the Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit which allowed depletion to a stripper where his compensation was a fixed price per ton subject to adjustment for changes in market price, even though the operator retained the right to make the

sales (Commissioner v. Gregory Run Coal Co., 212 F, 2d, 52).

Compared to the Barry case, in Hamill Coal Corp., TCM-1955-68, the stripping contractor had no economic interest because the lessee supervised the contractor to the extent that the contractor appeared to be an agent. In addition, the contractor received a flat amount per ton at the tipple, which amount had no relation to market value.

In Mammoth Coal Co., 22 T. C. No. 73, the stripping contractor did not get depletion because he was to receive a stated amount per ton mined and the payment was made irrespective of whether the lessee sold the coal.

The recent court cases on this subject have emphasized the fact that the coal stripper has an economic interest in the coal only if he relies on the extraction and sale of the coal for his compensation. If he is compensated by the lessee at a flat rate per ton without reference to the fair value of the coal, then in all probability he will be regarded as an agent of the lessee working without risk.

Zero Property Basis—Gain or loss on the sale of a mineral property is measured by the difference between the tax basis of the property and the proceeds. Allowances for depletion, whether cost or percentage, reduce the tax basis of the property. Percentage depletion usually exceeds the tax basis. In Revenue Ruling 54-421, the Treasury Department pointed out that the tax basis of the property can never be less than zero, even if allowances for percentage depletion are far in excess of the basis. The ruling, however, says that the excess of depletion over the basis must serve to reduce the basis of any subsequent depletable capital additions to the property.

Evaluating Property-In a recent case, Pool v. U. S., 119 F. Supp. 202, a taxpayer deducted a worthless mineral (oil) property in the year that an oil company concluded that there was no oil on the property. The commissioner attempted to disallow the loss on the grounds that mineral interest is a part of the total land ownership and no loss occurs until the land itself has no value. The court allowed the loss because, under Texas law at least, the mineral rights may be valued separately from the surface rights. While this contention has not been made by the commissioner in the field of coal mining, it might be borne in mind by the coal man who abandons a mineral interest but retains the surface

How a Fine Water Spray Puts Out Fire

ABOUT 300 MICRONS (0.012 in) is the optimum average diameter of water droplets in fine sprays intended for fire-fighting, according to a report of tests conducted at Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., for the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Finer droplets may not have sufficient energy to penetrate the turbulent currents of hot gases, and thus would be carried away from the fire, while larger droplets would evaporate more slowly and have less cooling effect.

Many successful applications of water sprays in putting out fires have been reported to the board, but data on the fundamental processes involved in extinguishment and the factors which influence it were meager. Therefore, the tests were conducted in order that this method of attacking fires may be employed to greatest advantage and its limitations understood.

The tests show that extinguishment is due primarily to the smothering effects of the water vapor produced by evaporation of the droplets. Elimination of all oxygen generally is not necessary in putting out a fire. Flaming combustion of most common materials can no longer continue after oxygen is reduced to 12 to 15% by volume.

Fires can be put out by diluting the oxygen content of the surrounding air with an inert gas or vapor. Carbon dioxide and nitrogen are commonly used for this purpose as are the various vaporizing extinguishing agents.

Similarly, water vapor or steam may be used under appropriate conditions to dilute the oxygen in the atmosphere. And a fine spray is an excellent source of water vapor in a form most readily converted into steam by the heat of the fire.

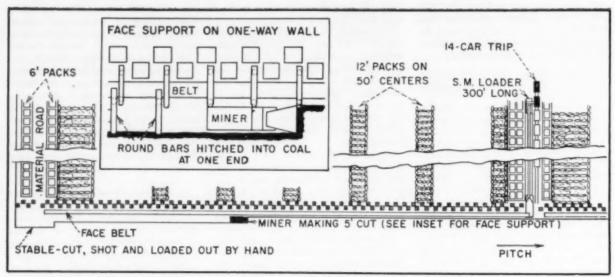
In addition to its smothering effect (lowering the oxygen content of the air), the water vapor also has a cooling effect, since it absorbs heat in evaporating. The total cooling effect in any given quantity of water is directly proportional to the surface area presented by that water to the evaporating forces, maximum surface area being presented when the water is finely divided, as in a spray. However,

if the droplets are too small they may be lifted out of the effective fire-fighting zone, as previously mentioned.

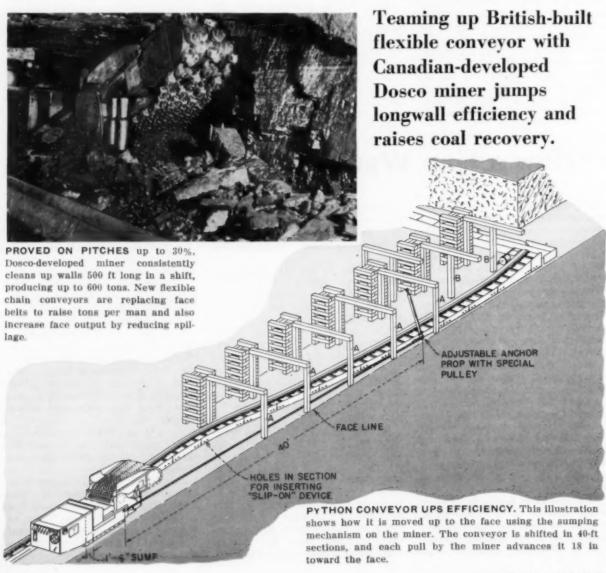
A third fire-control measure is removal of the fuel, although this is the least promising measure except in cases where a valve may be closed in a burning gas line, for example. But some water droplets from a spray may filter down through the fire to the unburned fuel, cooling it to a temperature below its point of ignition. This effect is out in gasoline fires, though, since even ice is warmer than the flash point of gasoline. In such fires, the fine spray is useful because of its oxygen-dilution and evaporation-cooling effects.

Size of water droplets produced by some spray nozzles is a known quantity. It pays to ask about this when buying such nozzles.

Copies of the full Underwriters' Laboratories report, entitled "The Mechanism of Extinguishment of Fire by Finely Divided Water," may be obtained from Research Div., National Board of Fire Underwriters, 85 John St., New York 38, N. Y.



LONGWALL PLAN utilizes specially designed continuous miner. In this version, where pitch limits cutting to downhill only, bars behind the miner are hitched into the face. General support is provided by packwalls, chocks and bars.



Snaking Conveyor Ups Longwall Tons per Man

THE PYTHON CONVEYOR is the latest device to be called upon by the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., of Sydney, N. S., in its campaign to reduce coalproduction costs and raise coal quality. Up to the end of 1954, this program had included the installation of 18 Dosco miners, bringing the mechanized output of the company up to

41.7% of the total.

The program is still to be completed. For example, a new central washing plant with a capacity of 20,000 tons per day of two shifts will be started in the fall of 1955, materially extending the benefits achieved from an earlier plant, now 3 yr old, with a capacity of 6,000 tons in two shifts. A new 3,800-ft slope with a cable-belt conveyor will cap haulage improvements at one group of collieries, including new aluminum cars which, with diesel locomotives, already have made their mark at other of the company's properties. And, of course, additional Dosco miners will be put to work as places can be developed for their use. Two more, for example, will go into Dosco collieries in 1955, and possibly four in 1956.

DESIGN FOR LONGWALL

Heavy cover, much of it over 1,500 ft and still increasing because mining is following down the dip and out under the sea in the Cape Breton collieries-the company's major producers-makes longwall a necessity, while pitches up to more than 18 or 20 deg in many places pose a real problem in mechanical production. Dosco's answer, for work up to 30%, was the development of the Dosco miner, manufactured by an associate company, Trenton Industries, Ltd., Trenton, N. S.

The Dosco miner was especially designed for longwall mining, with characteristics and capacity to permit operation on pitches up to approximately 30%. On light pitches, it cuts both ways; on heavy, downpitch only, being trammed back for the next cut.

The ripper-type head makes a cut 571/2 in wide and 18 in deep. The cycle is: drop head, sump 18 in, raise head to desired top limit. The coal is passed back by the chains to a transverse belt, which discharges it sideways to a conveyor laid along the face for its full length-usually around 500 ft, but sometimes less and occasionally more up to 630 ft. Most walls average about I ton per foot. Normally, however, length does not much exceed 500 ft, which a miner normally can cut completely in a shift. This is necessary because advancement of conveyor, timber and packwalls must be done on the offshift, and failure to complete the cut would mean loss of a day in the cycle.

PYTHON DEVELOPMENT

After some initial experiments, the belt conveyor was adopted as the face transportation unit. High capacity enabled the belt to keep pace with other machine and operating improvements, with the result that in 1954 the average output of all Dosco miners was 6,570 tons per month, rising to 7,000 tons per month in April, May and June, 1955. In addition, one unit, up to July 7 had mined 170 consecutive cuts without a miss, producing a total of 84,000 tons.

Advancement of the belt, however, required a substantial outlay for labor, and consequently generated a search for a unit that could be moved with a minimum of cost. It was found in the Huwood P-80 "Python" conveyor-a double-chain and flight unit designed to be bent in moving and, if necessary, in operation. In other words, it is a flexible chain conveyor 22 in wide and 500 ft long with 50-hp fluid drives on both ends. With back skirt plates increased from 7 to 12 in in height, the conveyor can take surges of 10 tpm, with a steady-rate capacity of 4 to 41/2 tpm. It was installed on a wall pitching 14 deg in No. 12 colliery, New Waterford, N. S.

MACHINE MOVING

Now, compared to moving the belt conveyors by hand, the "Python" is moved by the miner as it trams back up the wall on the off-shift. The system is shown in the accompanying drawing, and involved the development of special anchor props with conical pulleys at the bottom. The conveyor is moved in 40-ft sections as follows:

1. Set anchor jack against face.

2. Attach "slip-on" device to section. Slots with round centers permit a button made of a heavy rivet head to be quickly inserted and removed to attach or detach device.

3. Place rope already attached to

miner around pulley and attach to "slip-on" device.

4. Tram miner with head out to

tighten rope.

5. Retract head on miner 18 in, which pulls conveyor over 18 in. Repeat by sumping out head, moving miner on crawlers and retracting head until conveyor is pulled to the face.

6. Release rope and "slip-on" de-

7. Tram machine 40 ft up pitch and repeat.

8. Move face props (Position A) to gob side of conveyor (Position B).

Short lengths of rail placed under the conveyor ease the operation.

MORE TONS PER MAN

Using the miner, normal time required to pull the conveyor over the full length of the 500-ft wall is approximately 21/2 hr. The mechanics and face-timbering crew normally required handle the job. As a result, some 6 to 8 men are released from conveyor moving for other productive work. This is reflected in a substantial increase in performance.

Daily output on the "Python" wall, for example, averaged 580 tons in one check period, an increase of 30 to 40 tons over the output before the new unit was installed. This unexpected by-product resulted from the fact that spillage is much less with the "Python" unit. Tons per man to the transfer point, mining shift only, averaged 49.33, and tons per man to the railroad car 3.6. In comparison, performance with a neighboring belt unit was 40.8 tons per man to the transfer point, and 2.70 to the car.

In view of the initial showing, all miner walls will be equipped with "Python" conveyors as quickly as the changeovers can be conveniently and economically made. New units will be equipped with special devices worked out for Cape Breton conditions by Dosco operating men and engineers. One such device is a telescopic section for use at the head and tail ends.

Telescopic sections are required because all walls are not at right angles to the roadways, and consequently the discharge end of the face unit moves toward or away from the belt car loader in the roadway as the face advances. The Dosco-developed telescopic sections feature short ratchet screws and boxes that can be quickly inserted into or removed from slots in the pan sides. Thus, quick extension or retraction is possible without long ratchet screws and accompanying complications. Length of a telescopic section is 5 ft, and two or more may be used together to lengthen the interval between the transfer of a regular pan for a new start.



MATERIAL SOURCE

Washery refuse accumulated in settling ponds and presently totalling 1,500,000 tons provides the raw material for Trulite aggregate. Size is $\frac{1}{2}x0$, and reclaiming is done by scraper pulling to a recovery tunnel and belt feeding the processing plant.



PROCESSING PLANT

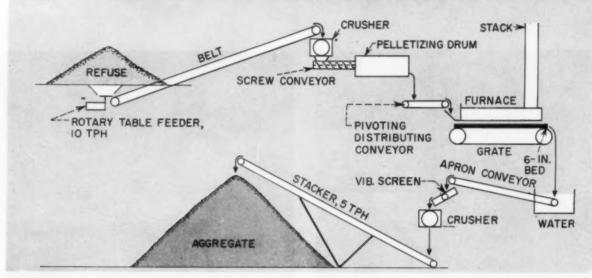
Trulite plant is built on refuse heap 2,500 ft from the Ceredo washing plant in the background behind the Trulite stack. The guyed mast at the right is the headpost for the scraper bringing washery refuse to the reclaiming tunnel.

Conversion Into Aggregate

Burning on chain grates after crushing converts $\frac{1}{2}x0$ Ceredo washery refuse into Trulite—a new form of lightweight aggregate. Present capacity of 120 tons of aggregate per day will be increased as markets are built up.

CONVERSION into a lightweight aggregate is the solution to the refusedisposal problem at the Ceredo (W. Va.) preparation plant of the Truax-Traer Coal Co. The conversion is accomplished by the Trulite Corp., using a process on which patent applications have been filed. When crushed and screened the aggregate meets ASTM Specifications C130-42.

Blocks made with the aggregate are lighter in color and lighter in weight than cinder blocks, and Trulite also notes as an advantage the fact that blocks are free from any combustible,



CONVERSION PROCESS

From settling pond to final storage pile, refuse is converted to lightweight aggregate by crushing, pelletizing, burning on a chain grate, quenching, screening and crushing, and stacking. Present plant capacity is 120 tons of aggregate per day.



COMPLETED PRODUCT

Crushed to 3x0, Trulite aggregate is stacked in a 1,000-ton pile from which it is loaded into railroad cars or trucks by clamshell. Shipments also may be made by barge on the Ohio River. Trulite makes blocks that are lighter in both color and weight.

Answer to Refuse Problem

iron or other substances which might cause stains or popouts.

Construction of the Trulite plant, rated at 120 tons of aggregate per day, was started Dec. 6, 1954, and the completed plant went into operation June 1, 1955. The initial investment was approximately \$120,000. The present plant, however, is in reality a pilot plant. When the market grows and the company develops a wide acceptance for the product, an-

other furnace approximately three times the capacity of the present unit will be installed.

C. N. Howard is president of The Trulite Corp., P. O. Box 356, Ceredo, W. Va. C. A. Grace is vice president, and W. E. Parsons is secretary. Mr. Howard had been plant engineer and research engineer for the Ceredo plant of Truax-Traer which went into operation in 1949 (Coal Age, August 1950, p 90).

REJECT DISPOSAL THE PROBLEM

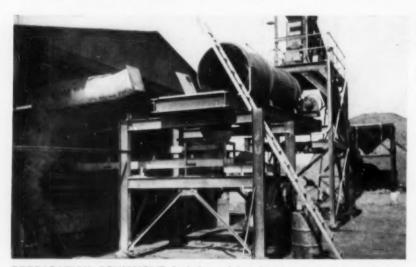
Although the Ceredo plant washes only coals of relatively low refuse content, it handles a high tonnage and is in a settled community where refuse space is limited. Disposing of the reject was not a problem when the plant was opened, but it was foreseen that it would become one in a few years. Consequently, beginning in 1949, the coal company began looking



BURNING TO FORM AGGREGATE is done in furnace building, flanked by preparation and storage facilities.



TRULITE SPARKPLUGS include C. A. Grace (left), vice president, and C. N. Howard, president.



PREPARATION EQUIPMENT includes mixing hopper over main feed belt (right), hammer mill and magnet, pelletizing drum and pivoting conveyor.

for some method of using or disposing of the waste material, which consists of ½x0 reject from wash boxes and launders. This material is pumped to the settling ponds at a rate in excess of 200,000 tons per year. It contains 40 to 50% combustible, some of it coal but most of it carbonaceous shale.

Several types of lightweight aggregate plants, including those using rotary kilns and sintering furnaces, were investigated. None was satisfactory for the high-volatile coking coal because, in the absence of oxygen, it would coke and tars would be formed. A combustion system had to be found in which the particles of coal would not be heated until they also could be ignited, and in which the volatile would be burned off immediately.

A joint research project was set up

with the U. S. Bureau of Mines, Pittsburgh, where a considerable amount of the Ceredo refuse was burned on a conventional traveling grate and enough aggregate turned out so that a number of blocks could be made for test. This research proved the practicability of designing and building a plant to convert the refuse into a satisfactory aggregate.

Truax-Traer preferred not to undertake the project itself. As a result The Trulite Corp. was organized and the coal company granted a 40-yr lease on a plant site where the refuse has been piled 40 ft thick. Some 1,500,000 tons of the refuse is now available in the adjacent settling ponds.

AUTOMATICITY EMPHASIZED

The Trulite plant was designed by

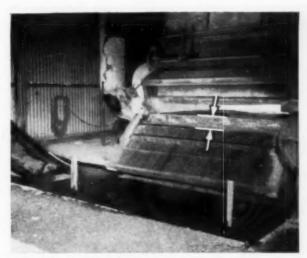
the Templeton Matthews Corp. and was planned for as near automatic operation as possible. The day-shift crew consists of one operator and one clamshell man. On the other two shifts, however, a lone operator comprises the crew. Total number of employees is five and no more men will be added when the plant is expanded.

The first equipment item in the flow sequence is a Sauerman power scraper with 1½-yd bucket that pulls the ½x0 refuse from the pond to a drainage pile. An operator handles the scraper during the day. At night, however, the bucket cycles back and forth automatically from the drainage pile to a point above the recovery tunnel. The operator sets it going about once every hour and each time permits it to make 3 or 4 cycles.

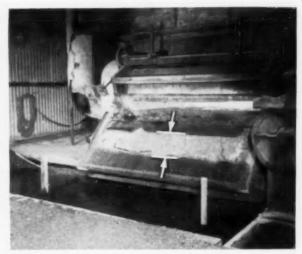
The recovery tunnel was fabricated from Armco corrugated tunnel liner. The feeder to the 14-in belt conveyor coming out of the tunnel is a 26-in rotary-table unit with plow, and has a variable-speed drive controlled from the furnace operator's booth. After passing under a tramp-iron magnet the material goes through a Williams Impactor hammer mill where it is reduced to 80% through % in. This crushing is primarily to provide a homogenous feed.

PELLETIZING AND BURNING

A 9-in-diameter screw conveyor moves the material into a pelletizing drum designed by Trulite personnel. The drum is 4½ ft in diameter and 15 ft long. It operates at 10 rpm. If the material is not wet enough water is sprayed into the drum to make it "ball up." As the material leaves the drum less than 10% will pass through a



CLINKER DISCHARGE from traveling grate, with arrows showing thickness. Final quenching is done in water tank.



CLINKER SECTION broken off layer on traveling grate drops down plate on its way to the quenching tank.

48-in screen. A horizontal belt conveyor pivoted at the feed end delivers to the furnace hopper. An air cylinder pivots the conveyor automatically to distribute the material evenly and prevent segregation.

The chain grate of the furnace is 10 ft wide and 35 ft long, center to center. It consists of two used 10x17-ft Combustion Engineering Coxe stokers put together. Effective grate surface is 10x30 ft. Instead of providing one large drive for the combined unit the two original drives were retained, one on the head shaft and one on the tail. They are powered by hydraulic vanetype motors supplied from a 5-hp pump, which assures equal torque on each shaft. The arrangement provides variable-speed control and also a safety factor, with the pressure-relief valve serving instead of a shear pin.

The furnace has a flat plastic arch built by A. P. Green. A 30-hp forceddraft fan supplies combustion air at a 4-in water gage to 12 separately controlled wind boxes below the grates. The fuel bed is ignited by radiant heat from the furnace surfaces. Air must be controlled carefully. It is done manually in accordance with thermometer readings.

When the material burns it forms a clinker cake about 6 in thick. A small amount of water sprayed onto the bed above the last 18 in of grate cools the cake somewhat and produces a brittleness which helps gravity break off segments of the cake as it overhangs the end of the grate. The cake is quenched and cooled in a water-filled pit at the end of the grate.

From the water an apron conveyor carries the cake up to a Gyrex 4x6-ft vibrator which shakes off any loose



FINISHED AGGREGATE from quenching pit goes to vibrating screen and crusher, and then to stacker (background) for ground storage before shipment.

or unburned material. Next the cake goes through a McNally Pittsburg 24x36-in single-roll crusher which reduces it to 3x0. A Barber-Greene stacker with an 18-in belt moves the aggregate to a 1,000-ton pile.

RAIL OR RIVER SHIPPING

A clamshell loads railroad cars and trucks from the pile. Trulite has an arrangement with Truax-Traer to set in empties and deliver the loads to tracks of the C. & O. and N. & W., with connections to the B. & O. railroad. Truax-Traer also will load the aggregate into barges on the Ohio

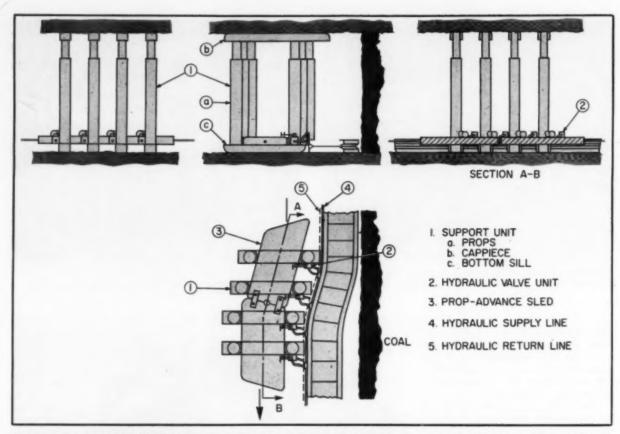
Cubic-foot weight of the Trulite aggregate is approximately 40 lb in the 3x0 size and 50 to 60 lb when crushed to % in. A 50-ton hopper car, which

normally carries 58 tons of coal, will carry 48 tons of the aggregate.

Thirteen electric motors ranging in size from 1 to 40 hp, drive the plant. Total connected horsepower is 143.5. Principal motors and controls were furnished by Westinghouse. Combination starters are used for motors larger than 2 hp, and fused-switch starters for motors rated at 2 hp and under.

Push buttons and indicators, controlling all drives, are grouped on one vertical panel in an operating booth adjoining the furnace room.

Electrical installation was handled by Hawes Electric Co., Huntington, W. Va. The contractor for erection of the plant proper was E. R. Wiseman, also of Huntington. As previously mentioned, the company is keeping in mind possibilities for plant expansion.



AUTOMATIC ROOF-SUPPORT SYSTEM for longwalling features a hydraulic-valve operating sled which is hauled through an opening in the prop units to release, advance and reset the supports as successive cuts are removed from the face.

Overseas Designs for Mining

NEW MACHINES and improved methods of mining, promising increased efficiency in longwalling and steep-pitch mining, are now in service or undergoing tests in the Ruhr. In one instance, a 170-ft face on a 70-deg pitch yields 140 tpd from a 3-ft vein without workmen at the face. Roof support consists of a packwall confined behind a movable wire net which is advanced along with the face.

Other developments include "push-button" roof supports designed for automatic advance and resetting in longwall operations; yielding props employing a lightweight hydraulic pump for setting the wedge; and face lamps powered from unit generators which are driven by compressed air.

These are some of the observations of Walter L. Herold, consulting engineer and mining-machinery manufacturer, Scranton, Pa., based upon his trip to an international machinery exhibit at Essen last Fall, and subsequent field trips to progressive mines in the Ruhr. The following material is a more complete description of such machines and methods by Mr. Herold, as told to a *Coal Age* editor.

MECHANIZED ROOF SUPPORT

One of the features of the exhibit was a model of a fully mechanized hydraulic roof-support system which makes it possible to talk in terms of push-button control of longwall operations. As shown in accompanying illustrations, the equipment includes:

1. Support frames each consisting of two hydraulic props, a roof bar and a floor bar. The props are similar to the cylinder and piston of a normal hydraulic press but no valves are incorporated in them.

- 2. A valve box at each frame having inlet and release valves and an excess-pressure valve. Inlet and release valves are lever operated.
- A hydraulic pump and drive with pressure and return hoses connecting the pump and the valve boxes.
- A winch-drawn sled which operates the valves and advances the support frames mechanically.

Here's how the system operates:

The props are automatically set to their full bearing capacity by the hydraulic pressure created by the pump. When the face has advanced, the sled is winched through the space between the two rows of props. As the sled travels, small projections on its top surface operate the valve levers in sequence. First, the release valve of the first frame is tripped, releasing the props so that the roof bar is clear of the roof. The offset end of the sled then moves the support frame toward the face as the sled continues its travel. When the final position is reached by the first support frame, the inlet valve is operated by another projection on the sled, resetting the props to their full bearing capacity.

The configuration of the sled and its rate of movement are so designed that the second support frame is not released until after the first has been reset. Only the frame which is being advanced and reset is not carrying a full load. The loaded frames act as

guides for the sled.

The actual equipment also includes links between adjacent floor bars and ropes between adjacent roof bars to maintain the alinement of the frames. The design of the sled permits vertical movement to compensate for unevenness of the floor, and it may be winched in either direction in the event difficulties are encountred. Furthermore, stowing equipment may be attached to the frames if the mining system calls for a packwall, and the sled may be used to transport men and materials to the scene of any stoppage along the face.

The big benefit, of course, is the great reduction in face labor that may be realized through the use of such equipment, since most longwall workers are engaged in advancing roof

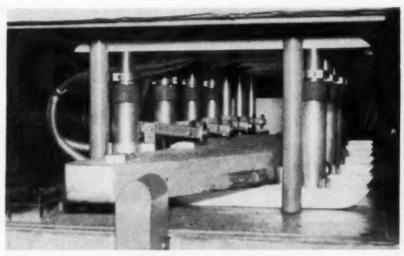
supports.

This push-button support system is a product of Becorit Grubenausbau GmbH., Recklinghausen, Germany.

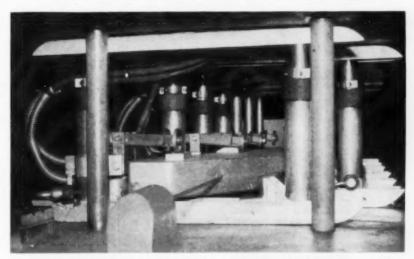
The Eickhoff organization offers another design for automatic roof support in longwall operations. This unit employs a pantograph-type of linkage among a set of hydraulic props which permits the rows of props to be advanced as necessary to serve the face

operations.

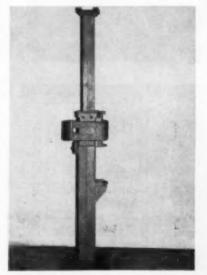
Another Becorit development is a pit prop having a lock which may be set hydraulically. Like other Becorit props, this one has a bearing capacity of from 45 to 50 tons after a short yield. The locking wedge is set by a small hydraulic press connected to a hand-operated pump, as shown. The pump is preset to deliver a certain pressure, and when this value is reached an audible signal is emitted from the excess-pressure valve. The pump and press then are disconnected by the operator for use on the next prop to be set. The advantage is that all props in a working place may be set for the same loading, thus contributing to more-positive roof control. (Continued on next page)

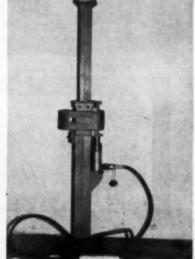


MODEL of fully-mechanized roof-support unit shows all props under full load before sled is hauled through opening between rows of props.

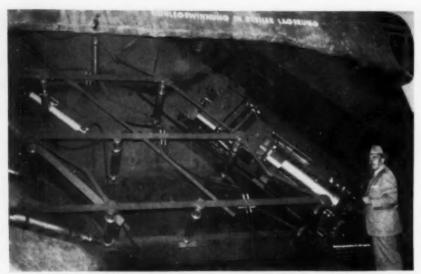


SUPPORT FRAME in foreground has been released and advanced as projections on top of traveling sled operate hydraulic valves on support frames.

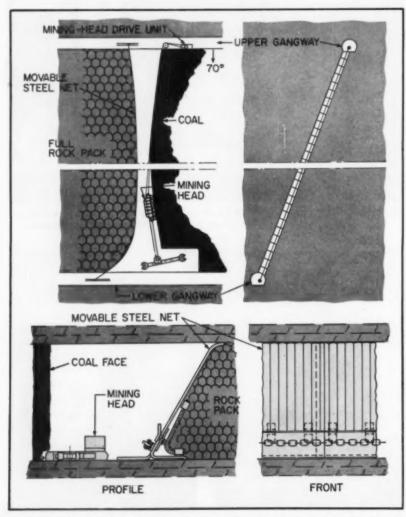




NEW PIT PROPS are equipped with locks which are set by hydraulic press and hand-operated pump for even loading of all props.



MR. HEROLD, at Essen exhibit, inspects roof-support system in which rows of props are advanced hydraulically and kept in alinement by pantograph linkage.



STEEP-PITCH LONGWALLING requires no men along the face with packwall which is filled from upper opening in back of movable net.

"MAN-LESS" STEEP-PITCH MINING

In the field, one mine is producing 140 tpd from a 170-ft face on a 70deg pitch without employing men at the face, as previously mentioned.

The coal is cut from the face by a type of undercutting mechanism which is hauled up and down along the face by a hoist in the upper development opening along the strike of the coal strata. The men work only in the upper and lower development openings.

Outstanding feature of the operation, however, is the "traveling packwall" which provides the necessary rear abutment for effective, predic-table roof control. The restraining medium for the backfilling material is a heavy steel mesh. As shown in the diagram, the mesh is suspended from a traveling carriage in the upper development opening to another in the lower opening, 170 ft below. The entire assembly is moved forward as the face advances to maintain the face opening required for operation of the coal-cutting device. Backfilling material is dumped behind the net from the upper opening.

As a matter of fact, steep-pitch mining now is considered to be the cheapest method of recovery in Germany. At one mine, a 700-ft-long face on an 85-deg pitch delivered approximately 900 tpd at one loading point in a 7-ft vein. Roof support is a combination of full rock pack and light metal props.

At another mine, a 750-ft-long face on a 40-deg pitch delivered approximately 700 tpd at a single loading point in a 9-ft vein, using three rows of heavy steel props in a systematiccaving method of roof control.

IDEA FOR ANTHRACITE

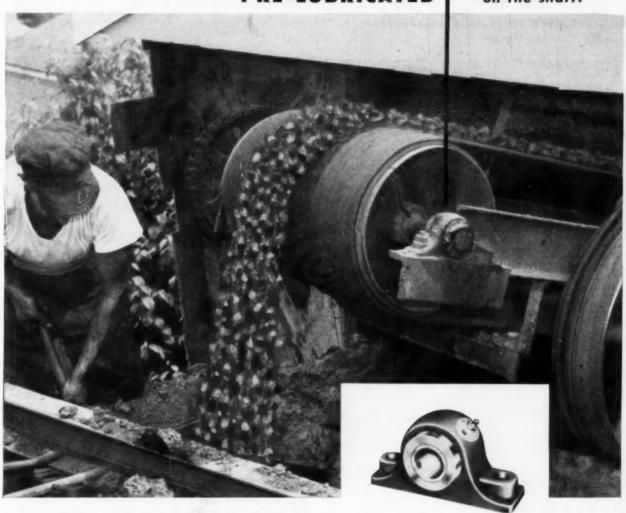
Leading operators in the Ruhr give much credit to careful planning and systematic research in the development of these new methods and machines and in rendering obsolete the traditional methods formerly used. Industry spokesmen stressed the fact the mining in the Ruhr is more efficient than ever before. This is a tangible result of co-operation among mine operators, equipment manufacturers and a central research organization.

The Pennsylvania anthracite region has similar geological formations, indicating that long faces in steeply pitching coal may be the best method of recovery. But for some reason (perhaps a notion that it is too costly) this method has never found favor. However, the concentration of operations resulting from a change to such methods would be beneficial, and the machines and know-how are available.

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ALSO NEEDED are proper attitudes on safety among men and supervisors.

Developing Proper Attitudes on Safety

Complete safety in mining requires that each supervisor and workman personally recognize his need for safety and assume a share of the responsibility for eliminating dangerous conditions in working places.

By ROBERT YOURSTON, Safety Engineer Union Pacific Coal Co., Rock Springs, Wyo.

PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR in many mine accidents is the mental attitude towards safety held by the injured person. Despite its importance, it is the most difficult to assess when investigating a mine accident. The physical conditions of the accident site may be reconstructed from the evidence at hand, and the actions of the victim prior to the accident may be determined from witnesses.

All too often the most important question, the "why" of the accident, must go unanswered because there is no way of determining the mental attitude of the workman at the time of his injury. Mental attitude toward safety is a phase of mine accidents that requires further study.

Fundamentally, the responsibility for most mine accidents must rest at least in part upon the injured party. Frequently this responsibility borders on contributory negligence; more commonly it is just an improper mental attitude toward safety.

Unfortunately, development of proper mental attitudes is the hardest phase of accident prevention to pursue. In the face area, which is the scene of most accidents and those of greatest severity, the general physical condition of the working place, inherent dangers in the roof, thickness of seam and type of mining can be assessed by a responsible supervisor, and methods of safeguarding against these dangers can be set up.

Most commonly, this is merely adherence to our approved systematic method of roof support. The materials to carry out these protective measures can be brought into the section and their proper use outlined to the individual workman. The casual observer would say then that all necessary precautions had been taken for the protection of the men in this area; that no one could be injured.

You and I know this is not true, that if safety is left at this point we are going to have accidents and many of them.

The reason for this is simply that despite systematic timbering methods, an abundance of roof-support material and supervision, an improper mental attitude toward safety in the individual can still lead to another lost-time injury.

How then can we bring about this proper attitude? The following four points may hint at asolution.

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- 1. Be continually conscious of the need for safety.
- 2. Train ourselves to recognize dangerous conditions.
- Maintain a fresh approach to our daily work.
- Assume responsibility for our own protection.

Consciousness of the need for safety can rightly be expected of every workman, but study of many accidents points out that many men fail to recognize this responsibility. His safety is important to a great many people but most of all to himself since he is the one who suffers the physical discomfort and monetary loss attending most accidents.

His safety is important to his family also because the family depends upon him for guidance and support. His safety is important to his community because of the place he holds in its affairs. Finally, safety is important to an individual's employer for, aside from personal regard, the worker's skills are vitally important to him in maintaining an efficient, economical mining operation.

Convincing each man of his own importance may help him recognize his personal need for safety.

Having sold ourselves and others on the need for safety, we must recognize at once the dangerous actions and conditions that lead to accidents. If we fail to recognize such actions and conditions we cannot react in the proper manner.

This ability to recognize hazards comes through training and experience. In our present situation we have few men who could be called inexperienced miners. Perhaps because of this situation our training has been somewhat lax for experience alone is not the complete answer.

Many men are being transferred to new jobs with the emphasis on mobile mining. Roof-support plans, haulage systems and preparation and loading cycles are different. Therefore, the men must be taught to recognize the hazards in these new activities.

Supervisors must assume the duty of instructing new men coming into their sections, even though they may have had 10 yr or more of previous mining experience. In addition to recognizing dangerous physical conditions we must look for human failures in ourselves and in the workmen. It has been said that fully 80% of all accidents involve human failure, and while it is true that not every dangerous act results in an accident, it is equally true that few accidents would occur if some element of human failure was not present.

Once we have learned to recognize dangerous conditions and dangerous actions we can guard against them, and then we have come a long way in developing the proper mental attitude toward safety.

By maintaining a fresh approach to our daily work we are better able to recognize the conditions that lead to an accident. There is a saying, "Familiarity Breeds Contempt," that applies to many of us in our regard for dangerous conditions in the working places.

This is a damaging attitude and is frequently the basic cause of a serious mine injury. The experienced man has the ability to recognize a dangerous condition and effectively control it, but unless he maintains a fresh approach to his work he will overlook many hazards.

Learn to analyze methods of doing the work, whether it is running a cutting machine, timbering or any of the other mine operations. See that the work is done in the safest manner. Perhaps you will find yourself doing something in a dangerous manner when the safe way would be the easier way.

Finally, we must all assume responsibility for our own safety. We have heard of defensive driving on the highway. It means expect the unexpected. Develop defensive methods of working as well as driving.

Don't assume the roof is good. Prevent roof-fall accidents by testing the roof and supporting it.

Prevent haulage accidents by seeing that clearance is maintained and that all safety rules are observed.

Defend against all accidents by developing and keeping within yourself and others a proper mental attitude toward safety.

Self-Starters for Dull Days

WAS THIS one of those days when you decided about 10:00 A. M. that you might better have stayed in bed? Such days come to all foremen and executives and unless something is done about them they are wasted days. Too many days like this cut into the results of the good days and make them mediocre. These are among the observations in a piece we received the other day from Ernest W. Fair, Boulder, Colo.

Mr. Fair points out that topnotch leaders never seem to worry about dull days. They have become leaders because they have learned to fill every day with worthwhile results, no matter how badly it started. All of them have developed "starters" they put to use on days when their spirits are low and they are tempted to forget the job and go fishing.

One man finds that the bad days are chiefly in his own mind, unless some physical ailment is really bearing down. His remedy is a complete change of occupation in order to overcome the mental depression of the moment. A change like this, perhaps for only a half hour, relieves tensions. This is infinitely better than trying to fight one's way through a bad day.

Several others point out that many "bad starts" result from becoming bogged down in the routines of their work. Their solution is to get out of the pattern by trying out some new ideas they may have had in mind. Tackling a new problem is a good way to shake out of the dol-drums.

Sometimes the bad starts result from a long series of days and nights of work when a supervisor has overtaxed his physical and mental facilities. All successful men drive themselves to far limits, but they also know how to relax completely when the sixth or seventh day rolls around. Hunting, fishing, golf and gardening, for example, are good safety valves as long as a fellow doesn't make work out of these pursuits. After this kind of relaxation, a man usually finds himself "rarin' to go" again.

Not to be overlooked is a need for

proper diet, which means getting the right kinds of food, not merely enough food.

Other successful leaders and supervisors relieve routine by taking an active interest in some civic affair or project. People who keep themselves busy this way seem to get a good start almost every day. Their results show it:

We think the ideas have merit for mine supervisors. Good food is important, yes; and reasonable nighttime activities must be observed. Adequate rest makes one alert and energetic.

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Other "self-starters" that mine supervisors can employ are:

- Look for opportunities to apply new ideas in the area you supervise. Once you work up your own interest, you have yourself started.
- When faced with a flock of duties on one of these dull days, select one item and concentrate on it until you have finished the job. That will clear the air.
- If you feel that your job has become routine, break that routine in your own mind first. You have splendid opportunities to be of greater service to your men and your employers. Contributing good service is challenging, not dull.
- Learn to unwind on your days off.
 We know you are on 24-hr call, but enjoy in your best way the hours when you are not being called. A rested, relaxed supervisor is easier to live with and work for.
- Visit with your staff. Chat with the men as a friend—not as a disciplinarian. Show them that you are genuinely interested in their families and in their personal and job problems. Offer helpful suggestions where possible. You will boost their morale and performance; in the process, you will boost your own.
- Control your temper. You're more likely to be irritable on dull days.

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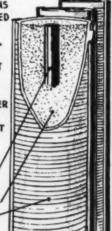
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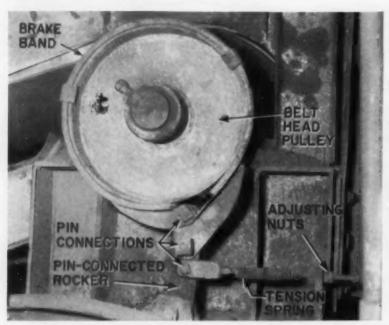


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AUTOMATIC BRAKE (left photo) for inclined conveyor prevents loaded belt from running backward and causing coal pileup. Inventor D. L. Henley (right photo) says difficult restarting and belt damage are eliminated.

Automatic Brake Prevents Belt Runaway

BELT RUNAWAYS are prevented at the Otsego tipple of the Brule Smokeless Coal Co. by an automatic brake patented by Dan L. Henley, tipple foreman. The safety device permits free rotation of the drive pulley while the belt is moving forward. But when it stops the brake automatically tightens and prevents backward movement. In service over 3 yr, the unit has never needed any repairs.

The automatic mechanism includes brake bands fitted to each end of the drive pulley. Each has a base anchored to the floor and upright flanges in which a pivot pin is supported. A rocker, to which the ends of a brake band are connected, is pin-connected to each of the

An upright at the end of the base opposite the flanges supports a horizontal threaded rod. A spring connects the rod and a forked member which is pin-connected to the rocker. By proper adjustment of spring tension, the rocker is held in the position that produces the proper friction in the brakes.

One end of each brake band is pivotally attached to the upper end of the rocker. The other end is attached midway of the tension adjustment.

When the belt is operating normally, the drive pulley rotates clockwise and the pin-connected rocker holding the ends of the brake bands is pivoted counter clockwise. Thus the brake is maintained in the release position. When the belt stops, the tension spring pulls the rocker clockwise to tighten the brake and thereby prevent the belt from rolling back-

During the 8 yr he has been tipple foreman Mr. Henley had a failure of the old brake about once a week and frequent replacement of brake bearings and shaft were necessary. A suitable electric brake could not be attached to the head shaft and, as a result, the new device was developed.



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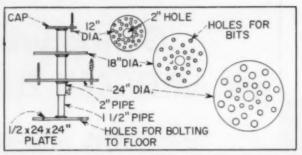
Flashing Lamp Warns Of Barometer Drop

AN AUTOMATIC WARNING to alert personnel when the barometer falls below a predetermined level has been developed at the Grimethorpe colliery in Great Britain, according to an article in a recent issue of Colliery Guardian. The device is designed so that when the barometer falls below the prescribed value a flashing warning light operates in a safety lamp on a special notice board in the lamp room. The board also carries a chart which is marked each shift to show the general trend of the barometric pressure.

The prominently displayed warning light and board draw the attention of all underground workers, particularly those who carry safety lamps or other gas detectors, and remind them

that extra care is needed.



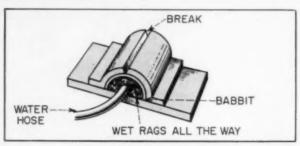


Holder Eases Bit Selection

FAST AND EASY selection of drill bits in the shop is possible when they are stored in a revolving stand made of pipe and steel plate, according to *The Stabilizer*, a publication of Lincoln Electric Co., Cleveland. The base is made of ½x24x24-in steel plate drilled to permit bolting to the floor. The holder includes three pieces of circular steel which are fitted over and welded to a section of 2-in pipe. Holes are drilled in each circular piece of steel to serve as drill receptacles. A piece of 1½-in pipe welded to the base serves as an axis about which the drill holders can be rotated to permit easy selection of bits.

The 2-in pipe with the holders fits over the 1½-in pipe. A set screw may be put in the 2-in pipe to permit vertical adjust-

ment of the stand.



Welding Saves Rebabbitting Job

INGENUITY paid off in repairing a cracked babbitted bearing cap, reports *The Stabilizer*, a Lincoln Electric Co. publication. A hurry-up repair job on the bearing cap was done because a new cap was not available and rebabbitting would be difficult.

A V was ground along the break in the casting, leaving the babbit intact. Next the casting was clamped on a heavy plate and rags were packed around a small water hose which was

placed inside to prevent the babbit from melting.

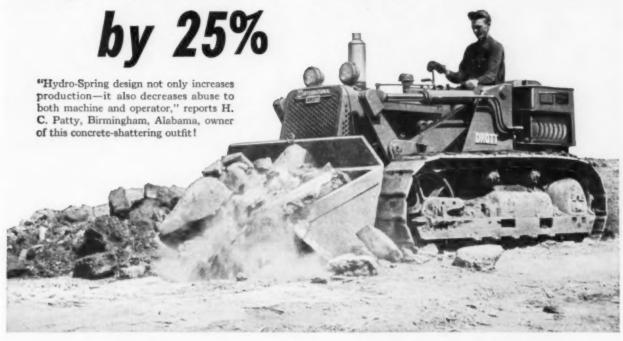
The V-cut then was welded a little at a time with "Softweld" and no harm was done to the babbit. Down time was about 1 hr as compared to 6 hr needed to weld and rebabbit. Success of the method is proved by the fact that the repaired cap is still in service 4 yr later

Metal Hole Covers Aid Pit Operations

FLAGGED BLASTHOLE COVERS are used to mark new drill sites and drilled holes at the Minnesota ore mines of the M. A. Hanna Co., according to Engineering and Mining Journal, a McGraw-Hill publication. A piece of reflective tape on each flag makes it readily visible at night. Drilling or loading instructions also may be written on the flag with soapstone.

Markers are made with a 22-in-diameter base of ½-in mild steel. The 6x8-in flag of similar material is welded to a 30x½-in mild-steel rod. That, in turn, is welded to the center of the base. The whole unit is painted red for easy recognition.

How Hydro-Spring's "Shock Cushion" Helps Skid-Shovels outlast all others



Slam this super-stout bucket into compacted material, and you generate impact stresses that make unprotected front-end loaders shudder!

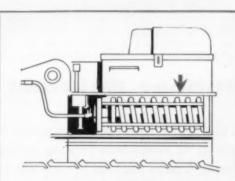
But International Drott Skid-Shovels smother these shocks enroute, before they can sprain a sacroiliac, strain a track frame, or maim a final drive! Machine-mauling shock stresses "lean" against exclusive Hydro-Spring's "magic cushion"—and they're absorbed!

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Overall view showing U. S. Giant conveyor belts running from loading hoppers to transfer station to storage pile.

Rubber Beltroad saves over \$300 a week!

U. S. Rubber conveyor belt plays a major role in "a revolution in strip mining techniques", says supt. of Illinois mine

You are looking at the first overland belt haulage system that's part of a strip-mine operation in Illinois. In this mine, opened in 1952, a United States Rubber Company belt carries bituminous coal (mined in open pits) to the storage piles. Previously, trucks were used. But as the mining operation progressed further from the tipple, more trucks were needed to keep up the production rate; more roads had to be built and maintained; more men were needed to drive and maintain the extra trucks. There was also a big risk: a change in pit location meant the loss of investment in the roads.

The installation of the belt conveyor system has already resulted in savings of over \$300 (or over 10¢ a ton) a week. Greater economies are soon to come, because another "U. S." belt is being installed to service another section of the mine. The operators of the mine predict that belt haulage will eventually become "standard practice" with many strip operators, because the "savings are obvious and easily offset the very small capital investment."

A portable system

One of the main advantages of this system is that it is portable. Any change of pit location simply means moving the belt line to that area—a simple matter.



View of U.S. Giant Conveyor Belt taking raw coal from semi-portable loading hopper and starting it on its way to tipple.





View of 330-foot-long gallery enclosing U. S. Giant Conveyor Belt hauling raw coal from transfer house to stock pile.

As the pit progresses overland—an additional length of belt is added—again a simple matter.

Allows large stocks of coal to be kept on hand!

Over 5000 tons on hand all the time, as compared to 250 to 350 tons in the old-fashioned method. This enables the mine officials to have more control over operations than before, where the whole mining operation was tied together so strongly that if one step went out of order, the whole system was stopped. The large stock pile allows the miners to continue working without a tippling operation—or the tipple can produce

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EQUIPMENT NEWS



Single Transformer Unit Heats Pair of Screens

Paired screens equipped with a single 20 kva heating transformer are being produced by the Deister Concentrator Co. The company points out that a single screen requires a 15 kva transformer and says "it is apparent" that the idea will save in equipment costs. An

added saving, the company says, will be a reduction in electric power, since two screens, each equipped with a transformer, would require more current. The Deister duo screens also feature permanent bus bar assemblies and elimination of flexible cables.

Tramp Iron Magnet, Small Brake Developed

A new line of "Discardo" cross-belt magnetic separators that remove tramp iron and automatically discharge it away from the flow of material in a continuous operation, has been developed by Stearns Magnetic Inc., Milwaukee, Wis. At the same time the company has announced a new "H" style 1200 series magnetic brake for use in the 50 to 100 hp range.

Suspended above a conveyor belt, chute, or sorting table, the "Discardo" separators create a magnetic field that pulls tramp iron from material flow. Iron is attracted to the magnet face where a cleated endless belt automatically carries it out of the magnetic field and discharges it away from the conveyor or chute. Frequent magnet inspection and hand cleaning are eliminated, the company says.

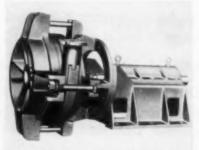
As for the new brake the company says design improvements have reduced brake dimensions with no decrease in torque rating. Up to 5%-in less clearance is required for housing removal. Diameter has been reduced 2 in and the brake length has also been shortened. Four torque ratings are available: 230, 345, 460 and 575 lb ft. The new brake can be supplied for motor or floor mounting and operates on ac or dc.



Crawler Diesels Cut To One In Second Model

Euclid's 34,000 lb C-6 crawler shown above is, in effect, a half-section of a larger tractor model, the TC-12, since the C-6 is powered by a single 194-hp 6-71 Detroit diesel engine, the TC-12 by two. The C-6 also has the same styling, controls, automatic track tensioning, Euclid planetary final drive gearing, hinge mounted engine cover and rear mounted swing-down radiator as the TC-12. Its tracks are driven by an Allison torque

converter and an Allison "Torqmatic" transmission. It can be shifted under full power without loss of motion, says the maker, and can be reversed while going forward. It has three speed ranges ahead and three in reverse. Top speed is 8.3 mph. The C-6 is the second model of a line of crawler tractors being developed by the Cleveland, Ohio, division of General Motors for earthmoving, open pit mining and industrial applications.



Supplement Pump Line

A heavy duty slurry pump, type RX, has been added to the line of the Morris Machine Works, Baldwinsville, N. Y. A low-speed, continuous duty pump, it is available in seven models from 2- to 6-in sizes and was designed to handle abrasive slurries of cement, sand, coal, solids, chemical sludges and plant wastes. Features of the pump, according to the manufacturer, are: (1) the stuffing box is subject to suction pressure only, (2) the wearing parts can be reached without disturbing the piping, and (3) the rotating element is adjustable to take up for any wear. The manufacturer adds that the liners on both sides of the impeller are renewable.

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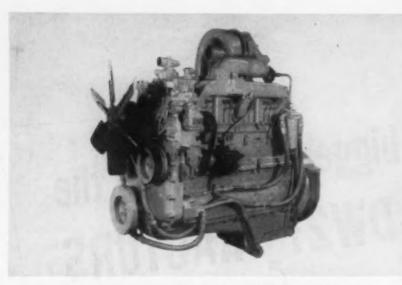
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Turbocharger Boosts Diesel Power

Two new turbocharged diesel engines, the NTO-6 and the NT-6 "Turbodiesels," are being produced by Cummins Engine Co., Inc., Columbus, Ind. Available for automotive, off-highway and industrial uses, the NTO-6 develops 262 hp; the NT-6 (above) is rated at 250 hp. Maximum speed of both is 2100 rpm.

Essentially the same design as the 200 hp NH-600, the NTO-6 and the NT-6 get increased power because of a turbocharger. Both are 6-cyl, 4-cycle engines with a bore and stroke of 51/ax6-in and a piston displacement of 743 cu in. Com-

pression ratio for both is 15.5 to 1, weight 2.546 lb.

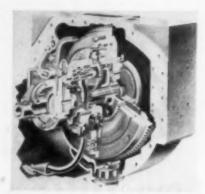
The turbocharger was constructed by installing a gas turbine in the exhaust system. The turbine was connected by a shaft to a centrifugal blower. Expansion of exhaust gases in the turbine chamber puts exhaust heat to work by rotating the turbine blades, shaft and blower at high speed. By creating pressure in the engine intake manifold, the blower packs a greater weight of air into the cylinder, providing combustion of greater fuel amounts.



Maker Claims 'Most Powerful' Tractor Model Title

Introduction of a 165 hp turbocharged diesel engine for the Michigan Model 175A rubber-tired tractor shovel makes it the world's most powerful, the Construction Machinery Div., Clark Equipment Co., asserts. Able to operate at high altitudes the shovel's turbocharger uses hot exhaust gases to drive a turbocompressor that packs air into the engine's cylinders. Although new in powerplants for construction machinery the company says, the principle has been used in aircraft engines. The 175A shovel with 2¼ cu yd bucket capacity, weighs 24,100 lb. It has 4-wheel drive and

rear-wheel steering and features the Clark-engineered power train torque converter, power shift transmission and planetary-wheel drive axles. The three-to-one torque multiplication provided by the converter makes an increased flow of power available when needed says the company. Elimination of a clutch re-moves the chief cause of both operator fatigue and maintenance problems, it adds. The shovel has four forward and reverse speeds and reaches a maximum speed of 27 mph. The planetary-wheel drive axles reduce torque on the axle shafts 70%, according to the maker.



Metallic-Faced Discs Feature Of Oil Clutch For Tractor

A new oil clutch designed for its D4 tractors is being sold as an attachment by Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill. Also designated the D4, the clutch is similar in design to oil clutches in the company's D6, D7, D8 and D9 tractors. It features metallic-faced clutch discs, a self-contained gear-type pump and an oil supply clutch brake for gear shifting. The three metallic-faced plates on the new D4 oil clutch are separated by oil films at all times except for the last revolution or two as the clutch is engaged. Thus, says the company, there is little opportunity for wear and heating. The oil system includes an oil pump with screened inlet and passages that carry oil to all parts of the clutch. Oil enters the inner diameter of the clutch plates and circulates between them by means of grooves in the clutch facings. Caterpillar says the clutch is especially desirable for jobs where frequent engagement, disengagement and flywheel clutch slipping are necessary.

Tire Combines Wire, Textiles

United States Rubber Co. has announced a new line of passenger car and truck tires that contain from one to eight miles of flexible steel wire. The company says that steel wire makes a tire tread rupture-proof, doubles cut resistance and permits a tire to run from 20 to 40 deg cooler.

It marks the first time that a major rubber manufacturer has used wire successfully in a passenger car tire although tire engineers have been experimenting with it for more than 20 yr. Although there are wire truck tires being sold now, the manufacturers have used wire in place of textiles. U. S. Rubber has used wire in addition to textiles.

Freezeproofing In Trucks And Railroad Cars

A low-cost concentrate, "CEMKOTE," may be cut back with two or three parts of low-pour-point fuel oil to provide a sprayable coating for the insides of truck bodies and railroad cars to prevent freezing of materials to the sides and bottoms of the carriers. Companies now using this product of the Sta-Vis Oil Co., St. Paul 1, Minn., apply the oil-diluted material through an electronic-eye-actuated spray nozzle which is mounted on an arbor above the travelway.



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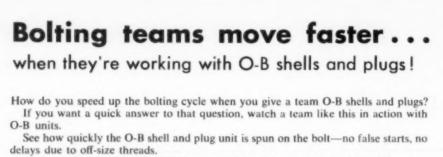
For 1,200,000 to 1,600,000 cm feeder

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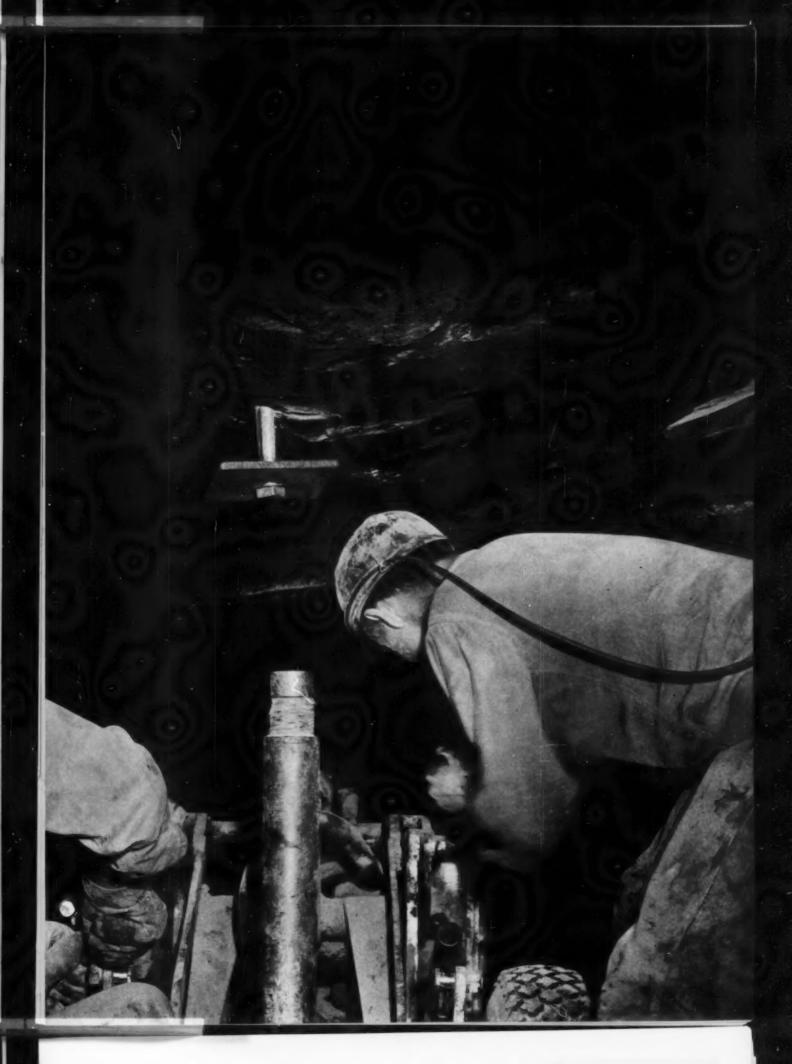
See how it's shoved up the hole in one swift motion—no hanging up half way. Notice how it stays put once it's in the hole-doesn't have to be held to keep it from

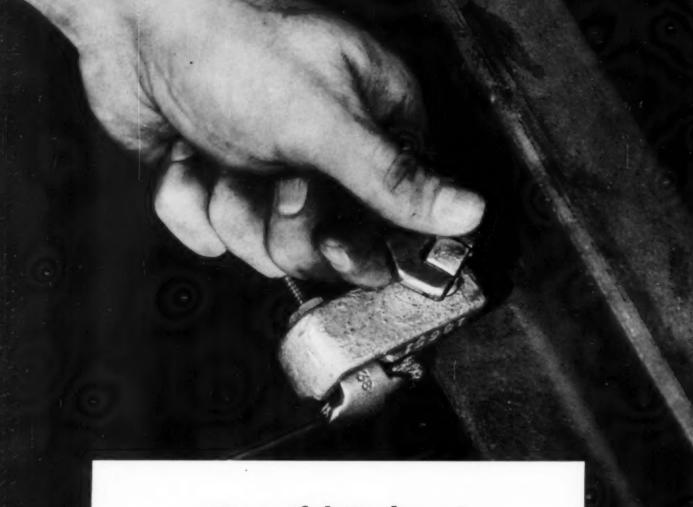
Then count the seconds it takes to pull it tight—see how fast it sets up in the hole without slipping or revolving.

Stay a little longer to prove to yourself that bolting teams do swing into a fastmoving, rhythmic cycle when they work with this trouble-free O-B unit.

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280 HP Diesel Powers Bottom Dumper

A hydraulically operated bottom dump motor wagon, the TW0360, has been added to the earthmoving and construction machinery line of Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis. A 47,000-lb unit, the wagon is powered by the company's 280-hp diesel engine. It is equipped with forward speeds ranging from 3 mph in first to 20 mph in fourth gear at 2,100 rpm. Reverse speed is 3.1

mph, according to the manufacturer. The motor wagon, with a 22-ft wheel yd base, has a 22 cu yd heaped and a 17 cu yd struck capacity, or 26 tons. It is 35 ft 10½ in long, 11 ft 3¾ in wide and 10 ft 1½ in high. When loaded the TW-360 has a 22¼ in front axle clearance. Its hopper when empty has a 31½ in ground clearance, 29½ in when loaded. Clearance with doors open is 20½ in.



Materials Travel Reversed In Chute Metals Trap

A "zig-zag" magnetic chute that the manufacturer says is not only capable of removing an occasional nut or bolt, but also fine slivers of metal that normally wear off processing machinery, is being sold by the Prater Co., Chicago, Ill. Designed for gravity flow or finely crushed products, each chute assembly contains two permanent magnetic separators. The chutes are so constructed that material first passes across one magnet then reverses its direction of travel to pass across a second magnet. The permanent magnets are hinged so that trapped pieces of metal can be cleaned off by swinging the magnet open. The entire assembly is welded, designed to be dust tight and is made for gravity flow only. It is available in 8 to 48-in widths.

Floodlamp's Life 2,000 Hrs

Development of a 300-w standard voltage flood lamp, the PAR-SL, that produces a rectangular beam has been developed by General Electric Co. The flood lamp is an all-glass, hermetically sealed, self-reflecting globe and resembles the sealed beam auto headlight. Approximate initial candlepower is 10,000 in the central zone of the new lamp's beam. Rated life is 2,000 hr.



Transit Reads Direct to 20 Sec

A recent addition to the Wild Heerbrugg instrument line is model Wild T-1, an optical repeating transit with direct readings to 20 sec and easy interpolation to 10 sec on both horizontal and vertical circles. Compared to the standard Wild instrument, which reads directly to one minute with estimations to six seconds, the new model's minute graduations on the micrometer scale are subdivided into three units. The Wild standard model is \$700, the new model is \$718. Complete information from Wild Heerbrugg Instruments, Inc., Main & Covert Sts., Port Washington, N. Y.



Drills 2 Ft in Minute

A self-contained gasoline hammer rock drill has been added to the power tool line of Syntron Co., Homer City, Pa. The model, RD-55, can drill to thirteen ft at a rate of some two feet a minute when using Syntron's hollow drill steels with carbide tips. In addition to automatic rotation of the drill steel, air compressed by the reciprocating hammer or striking piston blows dust and cuttings out of the hole, the maker says. Three sets of drill steels are available with the new model. Short sets use 2-, 4-, and 6-ft steels with 1\%6 to 1\%-in diameter bits. The long sets use 8-, 10-, and 12-ft steels with 13/16 to 11/4-in diameter bits.



Identical Diesel Engine Serves Shovel, Crawler Tractors

Allis-Chalmers, Milwaukee, Wis., has announced two diesel-powered units, the 12,400 lb HD-6 crawler tractor and the 19,600 lb HD-6G tractor shovel with a rated capacity of 11/2 cu yd. Roth units are powered by Allis-Chalmers' HD-344 diesel engine, a four-cylinder, fourcycle unit that develops 57 net flywheel hp, 45 hp at the drawbar and 55 hp at the belt. In the HD-6 maximum drawbar pull is some 12,650 lb. It has five forward speeds from 1.5 mph in first, 5.5 in fifth gear and 2 mph in reverse. The HD-6G has four forward speeds from 1.5 to 5.5, and two reverse speeds from 2 to 4.1 mph.

The HD-6 is equipped with heattreated track shoes, positive seal roller



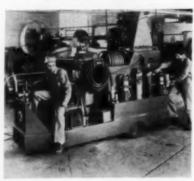
bearing truck wheels, idlers and support rollers that require lubrication once each 1000 hr of operation and a 24-v electric starting and lighting system.

The HD-6G, in addition, is equipped with six truck wheels a side with 83%6 in of track on the ground, 1½ cu yd two position bucket, a new shovel hydraulic system, semi-grouser track shoes, heavy duty front idlers and a pusher fan.



Neoprene Insulation Increased

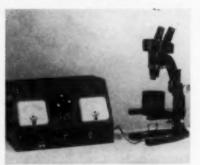
Western Insulated Wire Co., Los Angeles, Calif., has begun manufacturing a line of portable electrical cords and cables named "Bronco 66 Certified." The outer protecting jackets contain at least 67.32% new neoprene. The neoprene increase is a greater protection, says the company, against an industrial environment that attacks portable power cables, e.g., oil, abrasion, flame, acids and heat. Jackets are branded every two feet. Vulcanized into the outer jacket are the product name, neoprene content, type, size, number of conductors, rated voltage, and "P116BM." The last symbol denotes official approval by the Pennsylvania Department of Mines and acceptance for listing by the Federal Bureau of Mines.



Plant Fire Trucks Equipped With Chemicals, Fog Units

A line of mobile in-plant fire trucks is being distributed by the Ansul Chemical Co., Marinette, Wis. Equipped to carry an assortment of fire fighting equipment and designed for plant fire brigades, the trucks are manufactured by St. Clair Industries, Detroit, Mich. They are being made in six basic models. The KB 8 model, featuring a 300 lb Ansul dry chemical unit backed up by a 150 gal water fog system, is expected

by the company to find the widest application in industry. Other units utilizing dry chemical-carbon dioxide combinations, water fog-carbon dioxide combinations or water are available. The units are sold on either a 3-wheeled 42 in wide chassis, suitable for in-plant use, or a 4wheeled 48 in wide chassis with more road clearance and a larger engine for indoor and outdoor use. The 300 lb Ansul dry chemical unit comes equipped with 100 ft of hose. The pump of the 150 gal water fog system is driven through a power take-off by a 14.6 hp Wisconsin engine that powers the truck. This makes possible 300 psi for fog making and delivers 16 gpm. The trucks are 10 ft long and 5 ft 8 in high. Prices range from \$4,453 to \$4,878.



Micro-Furnace in Production

A new micro-furnace, Model MF-1, is being manufactured by the Elizabeth Instrument Co., P. O. Box 288, Elizabeth, N. J. It is particularly suited, the maker says, to ash fusion and melting point temperature determinations, micro-separation and sintering studies. The specimen being studied is under direct observation by a stereoscopic microscope at all times. Temperature readings are performed simultaneously. The furnace will heat to 2000 F in 45 minutes. No special training is required to install and operate says the company. The furnace consists of a furnace unit, control console, microscope and illuminater.



Globe Valve, Vent Redesigned

A globe valve designed for liquidimmersed electrical transformers has been developed by the Crane Co., Chicago, Ill., industrial sales division. The valve, No. 121, is made in ¾, 1, 1½ and 2-in sizes and is rated at 150 lb maximum pressure at 200 deg F maximum temperature.

The company has also redesigned a vent and sampling valve, No. 211, de-

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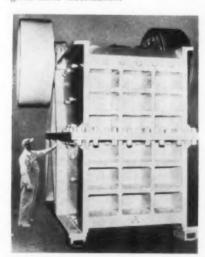


veloped for use with the No. 121 globe valve. When installed at the top of liquid-immersed electrical equipment, the No. 211 can be used as an air vent. Installed at a low point, it is used as a valve to draw off samples of the liquid. The vent-valve is recommended for 400 lb maximum pressure and 200 deg F maximum temperature.



Visor Gives Face Protection

A clear acetate visor that gives frontal and side face protection against abrasive particles, flying objects and chemical splashes, has been developed by Mine Safety Appliances Co., Pittsburgh 8, Pa. Named the "M-S-A Skullgard-Faceshield," the visor can be attached in seconds to any M-S-A protective hat. An aluminum pivot arm permits the shield to be swiveled up or down in any desired position and the visors can be detached from the pivot arm for replacement. The company's Bulletin 0302-4 gives more information.



Jaw Crusher Developed To Reduce Drilling, Shooting

Denver Equipment Co., P. O. Box 5268, Denver 17, Colo., has introduced a 36x48-in Denver Type "J" jaw crusher to meet operators' primary crushing problems, particularly where underground crushing can effect savings through reduced drilling and shooting. Sectionalized to handle component parts during installation, the frame is electric-welded 3 in steel plate. Both sections of the

crusher frame were stress-relieved before machining. A heavy box-section swing jaw is made of cast steel and the shaft of the crusher rotates in oversize double roll, self-aligning spherical roller bearings placed close together to prevent shaft deflection. The crusher has an estimated capacity of 275 to 750 tph, depending on the kind of rock and a variable 4- to 10-in discharge setting.

Gear Lube Resists Oxidation

D-A Lubricant Co., Inc., Indianapolis, Ind., has announced "D-A Torque Fluid," a lubricant designed specifically for year-round use in Allison "Torqmatic" drives. The fluid meets and exceeds Allison's specifications for hydraulic transmission fluid, type C, says the maker, who adds that the lubricant resists oxidation during long hours of service at high temperature and will not thicken or develop sludge.



Blade Saws Toughest Metals

A high speed steel blade designed for a portable electric band saw cuts most tough metals, says its maker, Porter-Cable, Syracuse, N. Y. Specifically designed for use with model 524, a "Porta-Band" saw, the blade cuts stainless steel, carbon tool steels and nickel.



Magnet Traps Fast-Moving Iron

The Ohio Electric Mfg. Co. offers a new line of rectangular separation electromagnets for removing tramp iron and undesirable magnetic particles. Named "Super Magnetomotive," the magnets have been designed for mines, quarries, foundries or smelters.

The manufacturer says that the magnet's rectangular field is especially suitable for suspension over the head pulley of a conveyor belt. It will, says the maker, lift tramp iron out of heavy or wetburdens, or burdens moving at speeds up to 500 ft a minute. Models vary in strength from the SM20's effective range



of 6 in at a belt speed of some 200 ft a minute to the SM60's range of 19 in at a belt speed of approximately 500 ft a minute,

Levers Replace Gears In Chain-Hoist Reduction

Two light coil-chain ratchet-lever hoists have been introduced by Coffing Hoist Div., Duff-Norton Co., Danville, Ill. The models, L-1½ (1½ tons) and LD-3 (3 tons) have been added to the company's "Super Power" 2½-ton and 5-ton line. Reduction in all four hoists is achieved with compound levers instead of gears. This feature, says the company, has these advantages: 1. "Super Power"

hoists, with 85% efficiency, take 60½ lb of handle pull to lift a 1½-ton load and 74 lb to lift 5 tons. 2. Fewer gears and chains are a load-holding safety factor.

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Trailer Dumps Built With Eye On Weight Laws

Three trailer dump models, two of them tandem-axle designs, the third a singleaxle design, have been introduced by Galion Allsteel Body Co., Galion, Ohio. Tandem-axle Model STM is recommended for use where weight laws establish a medium gross weight limit and allow credit for only one set of tandem axles. Model TTM, also a tandemaxle dump, has been designed for areas where highway weight laws allow maximum credit for two axles. Model SSM, a single-axle dump, is recommended where weight laws allow high individual axle-weight limits combined with low gross weight. The tandem-axle trailers are 19 to 24 ft long and carry from 10 to 36 cu yd. The single-axle models are 16 to 20 ft, carry 10 to 20 cu yd.

Develop Control Valve Coupling

C. B. Hunt & Son, Inc., Salem, has produced what it calls "Quick-As-Wink" valve couplings designed to give an operator complete control of an air line. The couplings permit line air to be shut off and tools changed safely and quickly. They are being made in ¼-, ¾-, ½- and ¾-in sizes for line air up to 250 psi. Any size valve half can be connected to any size connection half. More information in Bulletin 551 from the company.

Volt-Ammeter Line Expanded

Three high voltage "Amprobe Junior" models have been added to the Pyramid Instrument Corp. line of volt-ammeters. Model 300 is designed for general work. It covers six ammeter ranges up to 300 amp and three voltmeter ranges up to 600 v. Its tapered probe jaws have been designed for hard-to-get-at wires in crowded switch boxes. Models 600 and 1200 have been designed to handle loads up to 600 and 1200 amp ac.

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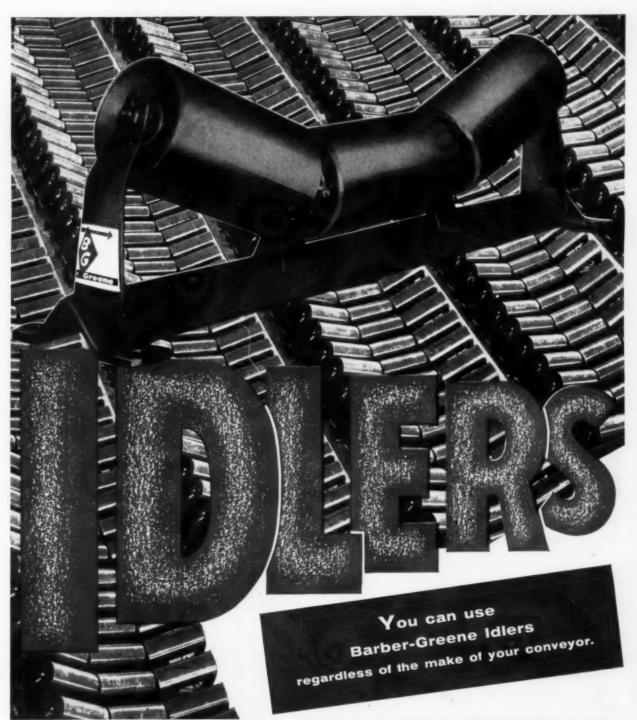
STEEL RACK—Pollard Bros. Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill., is manufacturing a vertical bar stock rack that is designed to stand against a wall. Suited for storage purposes where space is limited, the rack will store bars up to 12 ft long. It



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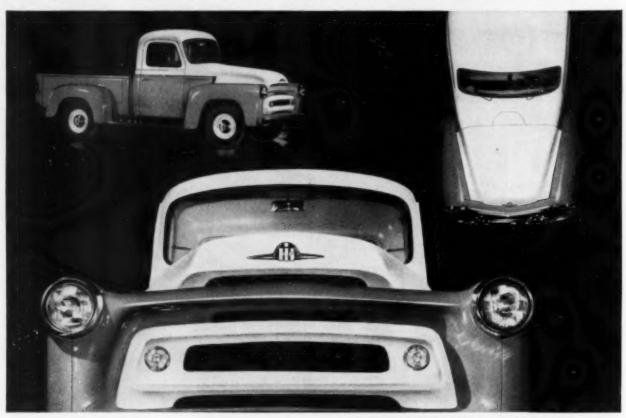
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LEVEL CONTROLLER—A level controller that combines the advantages of electronic and air-pressure control instruments has been developed by Fielden Instrument Div., Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., 2920 N. Fourth St., Philadelphia, Pa. The device named "Pneutronic" level control, utilizes electronic capacitance sensing elements to detect minute changes in levels in tanks, drums, process baths, pipelines and other conveyors. Servo motors and other rebalance mechanisms are eliminated, according to company engineers.

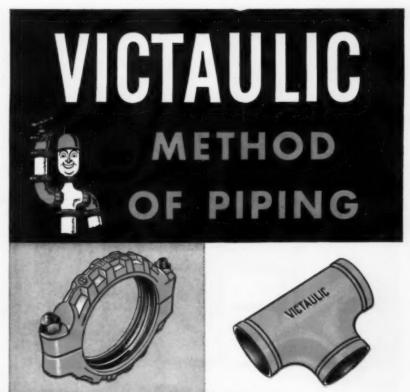
Free Bulletins

MATERIALS HAULER—Since being introduced as a power wheelbarrow for construction work, a series of improvements has turned the "Moto-Bug" into an all-around materials-handling device, according to the Kwik-Mix Co., Port Washington, Wis. An 8-p catalog describing the machine and its interchangeable attachments is available from the company. The catalog illustrates a 3-wheel model, S-10, and a larger-load-carrying 4-wheel model, R-15.

MAGNETIC PLATES—Features and applications of permanent magnetic plates are described in Bulletin PL-250 being distributed by the Homer Mfg. Co., Dept. 59, Lima, Ohio. By automatically removing tramp iron from materials transported by pipes, chutes, belts and all other types of conveyors, the plates protect product quality, protect processing machinery and guard against fires and explosions caused by trampiron sparks. The bulletin includes application diagrams, performance data and descriptions of the company's magnetic plates.

LUBRICANTS—Bulletin 105, a leaflet describing two lubricants, Types 165X and "LOEX," is available from the Alpha Molykote Corp., 65 Harvard Ave., Stamford, Conn. Type 165X is an extremebearing-pressure open-gear lubricant. It was developed not to crack or peel at temperatures as low as 0 F. Type "LOEX" is suited for extreme low-temperature applications, the company says.

ASBESTOS INSULATION—A booklet that describes performance tests of asbestos wire and cable insulation applied in felted-wall construction is being distributed by Rockbestos Products Corp., New Haven, Conn. Its number and name are RSS 88, "Specifications for Asbestos Varnished Cambric N.E.C. Type AVA Lighting Wires and Power Cables." Rockbestos standards for such test characteristics as minimum permissible breakdown after an initial dielectric test, minimum breakdown during immersion, minimum permissible dielectric strength



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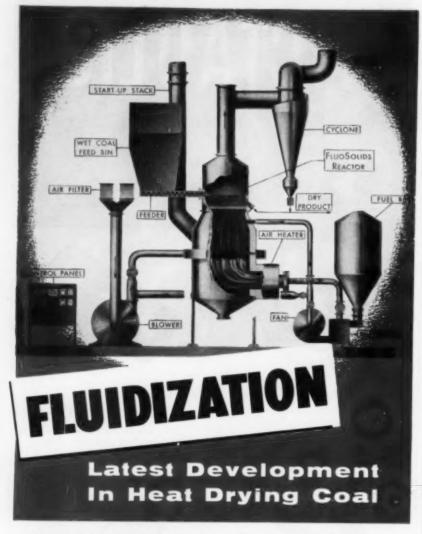
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after bending, and surface leakage requirements are covered.

SLINGS—An expanded edition of Union Wire Rope's 60-p sling handbook describes new developments in "Tuffy" slings. The foremost, says Union Wire, is a streamlined, heavy-walled, steel-ferrule eye splice. Machine-braided fabric and ferrule metal are pressed on under such tremendous pressure that the metal virtually flows into the interstices of the fabric. The booklet also contains a rigger's manual, a shop chart of prooftested ratings and a number of illustrated features. From Union Wire Rope Corp., 2100 Manchester Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

ELECTRONIC CONTROLS—A bulletin describing electronic controls is being distributed by the Dynamatic Div., Eaton Mfg. Co., Kenosha, Wis. It contains non-technical, simplified information about installation, performance and maintenance of the basic Dynamatic electronic control. The principles utilized to accomplish stepless speed control of Dynamatic Eddy-Current rotating equipment, using an A-C line as the power source, are described in detail. Bulletin EC-1.

STEEL SIDING—Ryerson Steel's Bulletin 70-5 describes mansard-patterned stainless-steel siding for single-sheet and sandwich-wall building construction. The bulletin includes test data, fastening methods and recommendations for using the siding. Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., P. O. Box 8000-A, Chicago 80, Ill.

METAL HOSE—Corrugated flexible metal hose of annular and helical construction is the subject of Bulletin 20-E being distributed by the Atlantic Metal Hose Co., Inc., 308 Dyckman St., New York 34, N. Y. Steel and bronze hose, with or without wire braid, couplings and assemblies, are described. Engineering data includes bending radii, bursting pressures and weights. A number of uses are also listed.

RUBBER HOSE—Specifications for 68 different rubber hoses for industrial and agricultural uses are described in an 8-p digest printed by the Industrial Rubber Div., Thermoid Co., Trenton, N. J. Several hose types are new additions to the Thermoid line. The digest also contains data on nine types of conveyor belts and seven types of flat power-transmission belting.

V-BELT DRIVES—A 74-p booklet containing tables designed for quick selection of "Texrope" V-belt drives has been printed by Allis-Chalmers. The booklet also illustrates design features, basic driven principles and technical data on sheaves. "Tex-Book," 20P40, Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., 968 S. 70th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

GENERAL LUBRICANT—A generalpurpose grease able to withstand extreme bearing pressure, according to the company, is described in Bulletin 101 by The Alpha Molykote Corp., Stamford, Conn., 65 Harvard Ave., Stamford, Conn.

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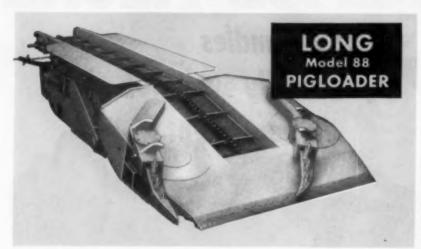
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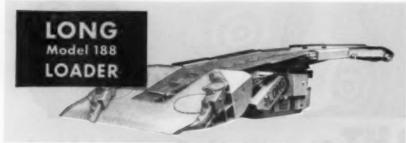
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INSULATING SYSTEM—"Silco-Flex," an all-silicone and rubber insulating system for motor and generator stator windings, is described in a new 4-p leaflet published by Allis-Chalmers. The leaflet features "Silco-Flex" insulation's electrical, thermal, mechanical and chemical properties, Leaflet 05R-8341, Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., 968 S. 70th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

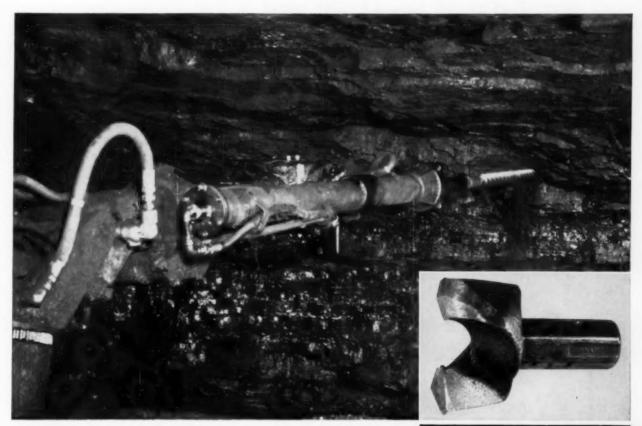
METAL HOSE DATA—Use and application data on Universal's flexible metal hose is the chief offer in the company's new reference manual. The information covers bronze, carbon-steel, monel-nickel or stainless-steel hose and shows types that will compensate for such conditions as varied pressure, heightened temperature, motion and vibration. Catalog U-333, Universal Metal Hose Co., 2133 S. Kedzie Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.

BLOWER-Read Standard's folder, B-154, describes the "Standardaire," and axial-flow, positive-displacement blower that takes in and discharges air from pockets that form between intermeshing male and female rotors during rotation. The rotors operate with a clearance of a few thousandths of an inch, and have been designed not to touch. The folder includes a cutaway photo of the interlocking main and gate rotor assemblies. Read Standard Corp., 370 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

TRAILER DUMPS—A 6-p catalog illustrating a line of "Transporter, Excavator and Hitchhiker" trailer dumps has been printed by the Galion Allsteel Body Co., Galion, Ohio. Models SSM, SSMF, STM and TTM Transporters; Models TTE and TTEF Excavators; and Model HH Hitchhikers are illustrated. Body cubic and payload capacities, hoists, chassis details, axle ratings and construction details are covered in detail. Catalog LL-1234.

POWER SHOVEL—A 16-p bulletin describing Bucyrus-Erie's 3-cu yd shovel has been printed by the company. The model can be converted to dragline, clamshell or lifting crane, according to the bulletin. The basic engineering features of the company's line of general-purpose excavators has been employed in its design. Bulletin 71-B, Bucyrus-Erie Co., S. Milwaukee, Wis.

HYDRAULIC BOOMS—An Ingersoll-Rand 12-p bulletin describes the company's hydraulic booms designed for the construction and mining industry. The bulletin covers Ingersoll-Rand's Hydra-Boom applications and contains information on tractor-mounted booms, tunnel jumbos and self-propelled air-operated rigs. Diagrams show the areas that can be covered by each boom, vertically and horizontally. Information about special mountings, such as, a four-boom, self-propelled machine for drilling an under-



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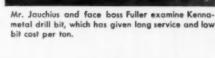
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RESEARCH IN RUST-A report describing the rust penetration of Rust-Oleum after it has been applied to rusted metal surfaces has been printed by the Rust-Oleum Corp., 2799 Oakton St., Evanston, Ill. The report covers a series of tests by the Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio and describes in detail the preparation, procedures and evaluations of the tests. Briefly, the Institute tracked penetration with radioactivity and concluded that a Rust-Oleum protective coating penetrated rust "in measurable quantities." According to the manufacturer, the fish-oilbased product has an "unusual affinity" for rust, since traces of Rust-Oleum were found in the deepest pits of the steel used in the research.

WIRE ROPE ASSEMBLIES—A 24-p catalog, TL 500, describing Tru-Loc fittings and wire rope assemblies, is available from the American Chain & Cable Co., Inc., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The catalog shows a number of standard Tru-Loc fitting and assembly combinations. One section covers special wire rope assemblies the company will manufacture to meet unusual requirements.

HOME, OFFICE SAFES—A line of small, insulated and fire-resistant safes for the business office and the home is described in a new 8-p folder printed by Remington Rand. The small safes, according to the folder are equipped to withstand fire, impact, explosion and burglary. Copies of SC-773 from Remington Rand Div., Sperry Rand Corp., 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

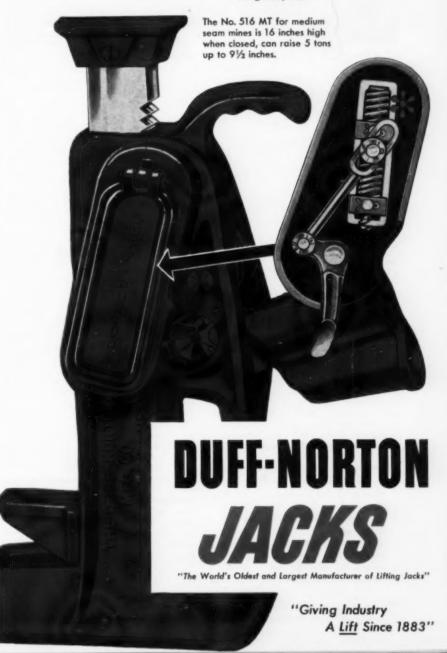
LABORATORY AID—Denver Equipment Co. has printed a 76-p catalog, LG3-B10, entitled "Denver Laboratory Equipment." It describes some 146 items designed to help establish laboratory testing needs. Included is an explanation of the company's laboratory divisions: e.g., crushing, batch-testing and analytical laboratories. The catalog also carries a list and description of Denver Equipment's batch and continuous testing equipment for crushing, screening, grinding, flotation, gravity concentration, cyanidation, amalgamation and assaying. P. O. Box 5268, Denver 17, Colo.

EQUIPMENT FROM GERMANY—Several new bulletins decribing the Humboldt dust collector, hammer mill, pneumatic jigging machine, air-sizing systems and balanced-mass resonance screens are available from Klockner-Humboldt-Deutz AG, Koln, Germany. All are colorfully illustrated with the manufacturer pointing up features of the products with schematic drawings and photos. New designs and innovations have been made in much of the equipment. The dust collector, for example, is a cyclone-type of special shape and small diameter that the company says has proven itself in underground tests.

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NEWS ROUND-UP



NCA ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE: (front, left to right) R. E. Salvati, president, Island Creek Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va.; K. A. Spencer, committee chairman, president of Pittsburg & Midway Coal Co., Kansas City, Mo.; A. R. Matthews, president, Pocahontas Fuel Co., Inc., Pocahontas, Va., and George H. Love, president, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., Pittsburgh. (back, left to right) Joseph T. Berta, president, Pittston Clinchfield Coal Sales Corp., New York, N. Y.; M. L. Patton, vice president, Truax-Traer Coal Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, and R. H. Knode, chairman, Stonega Coke & Coal Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Committee member, L. Russell Kelce, president, Sinclair Coal Co., Kansas City, was not present when the photograph was taken at Bluefield, W. Va.. Oct. 6.

Atom Energy No Monster To Coal Says NCA Committee Chairman

Coal and atomic energy may well become companions in the development of new uses for coal, Kenneth A. Spencer, chairman of the National Coal Association's Atomic Energy Committee, forecast last month after the first meeting of the committee in Washington.

Mr. Spencer, president of the Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co., Kansas City, Mo., said that atomic energy would not swallow the coal industry since there "is not now a foreseeable plan where the costs of atomic generated electricity may be considered competitive with modern coal-fired plants. The use of atomic nergy," he said, "will be determined on the basis of economics. Atomic energy," he added, "is not a monster."

But he declared that "with the advent of atomic energy as another source of fuel, coal faces new responsibilities. The committee," he said, "intends to continue to study the atomic energy program and to keep our industry well informed so that it may take action in its enlightened self-interest toward lowering its own cost of production, costs of transportation and improving its efficiency."

Mr. Spencer said that there should be "no slowdown in the construction of conventional power plants using conventional fuels." He declared that there has been "unwarranted optimism about the early availability of atomic generated power produced on a competitive cost basis." He called for atomic energy to be developed "within the framework of our free enterprise system, without subsidy." Subsidy would "create unfair competition for conventional fuels," he asserted.

The NCA atomic energy committee was established in September to study the influence of atomic energy on operations in the coal industry.

Oil Derived 'Fluid Coke' To Fuel N. Jersey Power

Fluid coke, a new oil-derived material resembling black sand, will be used for the first time commercially as fuel to generate electricity, Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Newark, N. J., announced Oct. 20.

Made during the manufacture of gasoline in a new refinery process developed by Esso Research & Engineering Co., the new fuel will produce power for New Jersey homes and industries.

Public Service has contracted for the total output, some 170 tons a day, from a fluid coking unit recently completed at Esso Standard Oil Co.'s refinery in Baltimore, Md. The coke will be burned in modern boilers at the utility's Essex generating station in place of about 750 bbl a day of heavy fuel oil.

Decision to use the new product as a fuel was based on tests conducted by Public Service on 1,000 tons of fluid coke provided from a unit operated by the Carter Oil Co., Billings, Mont. Conventional ball grinding mills, conveyors and boilers were found to work well on the

Fluid coking as a process was developed by Esso scientists to make gasoline and home-heating oil from heavy tar-like substances left over in conventional refining and normally sold for boiler fuel in competition with coal. It has helped refiners to get 10% more gasoline from a barrel of crude oil which brings the total yield of gasoline to 50% or more. The process is called "fluid coking" because it employs the so-called "fluidized solids" technique enabling solids to flow in a stream of air and oil vapors in the same way liquids flow.

In addition to units at Baltimore and Billings, fluid coking has been licensed by Esso to four other companies and is available for licensing by oil refiners anywhere in the free world.

C&O Spending \$2,500,000 On Coal Port Expansion

The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway backed its "faith in the future of bituminous coal" with hard cash last month when its president, Walter J. Tuohy, disclosed that the railroad was investing \$2,500,000 to expand its coal-dumping facilities at Newport News, Va. Forecasting heavy foreign demands for American coal, Mr. Tuohy said construction would get underway at once and that the facilities would be ready in 12 months. Some 10,000,000 tons of coal

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By extending and widening a pier already supporting one loading tower, the C&O planned to add another and increase the railroad's towers from 5 to 6. Besides the tower and pier, the facilities will include a conveyor, and a rail yard designed to accommodate 250 loaded cars and 250 empties. Coal for export will be dumped from incoming cars by an inland rotary dump to feed a conveyor which will shuttle it to the sea end of the pier and a hopper. From the hopper a telescopic chute will load the coal into the hold of a ship.

Railroads Win Plea, ICC Freezes Surcharge

After hearing protests from coal and other interests in all parts of the country, the Interstate Commerce Commission last month granted a plea by the railroads to make permanent a temporary 12% to 15% freight surcharge won in 1952. Simultaneously with the ICC decision appeared reports that the railroads were preparing to wrest another 5% from the nation's shippers. According to one such report, eastern railroads were determined to seek an additional 5% to offset higher wages that had been granted Oct. 1.

The temporary surcharge, worth \$1,000,000,000 a year to the railroads, had been scheduled to expire Dec. 31. In winding up its plea for its extension, the railroad industry had said that a cutback would mean "financial death" to some lines. The coal industry, led by the National Coal Association, maintained that the railroads were in the strongest financial position in history and that the coal industry was in serious trouble.

The increase was the fourth granted to railroads since World War II.

Bituminous Coal Output Still Climbing

YEAR TO DATE PRODUCTION
Oct. 15, 1955 359,775,000 tons
Oct. 16, 1954 298,455,000 tons
1955 output 20.5% ahead of 1954
A month earlier, through Sept. 20,
1955 output was 21.1% above 1954
WEEK ENDING PRODUCTION
Oct. 15, 1955 9,760,000 tons
Oct. 16, 1954 8,421,000 tons

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Oct. 15, 1955	00
Oct. 16, 195420,822,0	
1955 output 7.7% under 1954	
A month earlier, 1955 output wa	18
8.5% under 1954	
WEEK ENDING PRODUCTIO	N
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Oct. 16, 1954	



J. H. EDWARDS (left) gets admiring glance from Mrs. Edwards as he displays plaque citing him for 31 yr service with Coal Age. Editor Ivan A. Given (right) presented the plaque at a retirement luncheon in McGraw-Hill's New York headquarters Sept. 29.

J. H. Edwards, Power Specialist, Retires As Coal Age Staff Editor

As an experienced electrical and mechanical engineer J. H. Edwards has been a much-sought-after guide along the mechanization route that coal took three to four decades ago. As an associate editor of Coal Age since 1924, he became a writer who has provided a constant flow of accurate, useful material on electrical, mechanical questions, and all other phases of mining as well.

Last month, with plans for spending time with his children and grandchildren, seeing America and generally enjoying a leisurely existence, he retired after 31 yr as a Coal Age staffer.

At a retirement luncheon in McGraw-Hill's New York headquarters Sept. 29, Carl J. Coash, his publisher, and Ivan A. Given, his editor, presented him with a mahogany plaque from his old and new associates. Its bronze-relief letters read: "For outstanding contributions to coal-mining progress through sustained and notable contribution to the growth and broadening of the Coal Age editorial service."

The list of guests included Mrs. Edwards; Ralph Smith, vice president and editorial director of McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., and R. Dawson Hall, the only surviving member of the staff that got out the first Coal Age issue Oct. 14, 1911. Mr. Hall retired in 1946.

Jack, as he is universally known, wrote his copy at home in Huntington, W. Va., between his many field trips. He visited the New York office rarely and usually originated his material himself. "He came around here maybe once every two years," says Editor Given. "But he was a self-starter and a go-getter, and didn't need to be checking all the time to do a bang-up job."

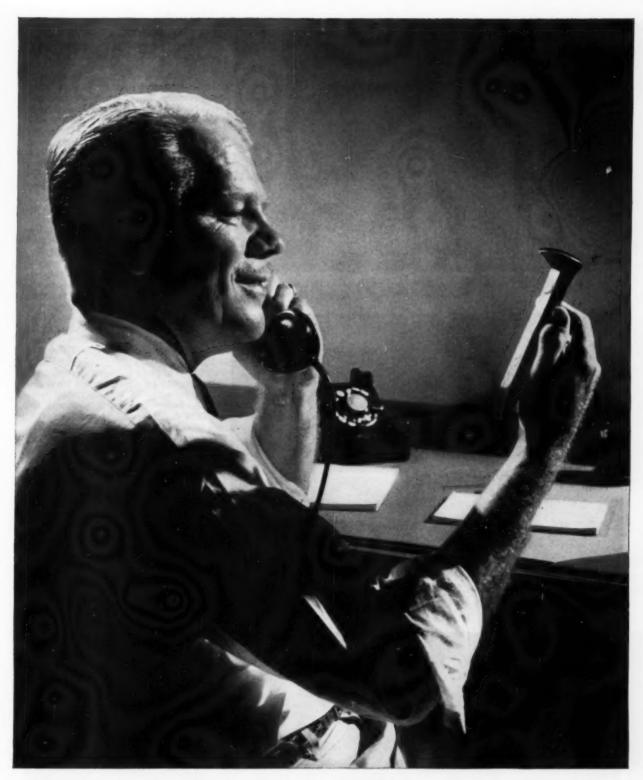
A graduate of Iowa State University in 1912, Jack began working for the Rock Island railroad car shops in Silvis, Ill.,

as an electrical engineer's assistant. It was there that his first contact with mining turned up. Frequently he was called on for power repairs in a number of Rock Island mines. In 1917 he was moved to Rock Island's Chicago office and promoted to supervisor of stationary power. A year later, 1918, he accepted an offer from Milwaukee Coke & Gas Co. and the Steel & Tube Co. of America because the pay was better. The offer meant moving to Huntington as chief electrical and mechanical engineer for the Elkhorn Piney Coal Mining Co. In this capacity he supervised power operations in 18 coal mines in southern West Virginia and eastern Kentucky. In 1924 he joined Coal Age as a power and electrification specialist.

An active man among coal mining men, Jack organized and became the first president of the West Virginia-Kentucky Institute of Mine, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers in 1921-22. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, the West Virginia Coal Mining Institute, the Huntington Engineers' Club and, as an indication of his broad extracurricular interests, the West Virginia and Ohio Archaeology Societies.

Soviets Report Coal Output

Russia disclosed last month that the Soviet 1955 coal output was expected to reach 390,000,000 metric tons, a production level said to be 3.4 times the 1940 output. According to a statement by the Soviet Minister of coal production, 250 new coal fields and coal mines have been discovered or opened since 1951. The new sites are said to contain close to 100 million metric tons.



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Safety Tourney

FIFTY-FIVE first aid and seven mine rescue teams from eight states journeyed to Knoxville, Tenn., last month, lured by the National First Aid and Mine Rescue Contest, Oct. 10 to 12. In the administration building at Knoxville's Chilhowee Park, U. S. Steel's first-aid team from No. 1 mine, Gary, W. Va., turned back 54 other teams in the first-aid contest to capture first place and reap the awards that went with it. The team was captained

In the mine-rescue contest, a team from Hendrix mine, Consolidation Coal Co., Jenkins, Ky., representing the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Mining Institute, defeated six competing teams for first place honors. It was captained by Douglas Damron.

Three major awards were presented to each first place team at a dinner in the University of Tennessee's University Center. The Gary first-aid team was awarded a silver cup trophy from Coal Age, a trophy from the United Mine Workers' of America and Congressional Medallions from the U. S. Bureau of Mines.

The first-place mine-rescue team from Jenkins was awarded a similar silver cup trophy from Coal Age, a trophy from Mine Safety Appliances Co. and the USBM Congressional Medallions.

Second place in first aid was won by the Palmer-mine team from the Frick district of U. S. Steel Corp., Uniontown, Pa. It was captained by J. R. St. Clair and was awarded a National Coal Association

Third place was won by team No. 2, U. S. Steel, Gary, W. Va., captained by Robert Long. It was presented with a trophy from MSA.

In mine rescue second place went to a team from Price Mine No. 1, Inland Steel Co., Wheelwright, Ky. Winner of a United Mine Workers' of America trophy, the team was captained by J. P. Gibson and represented the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Mining Institute. Third in mine



WIN NCA TROPHY-Harry Gandy Jr., director, Dept. of Safety, National Coal Association, presents NCA trophy to the second-place team in the first-aid, U. S. Steel, Frick Dist., Palmer mine, Uniontown, Pa. J. R. St. Clair captained the squad to victory during three day meet at Knoxville.



AWARDED UMWA TROPHY-Percy Tetlow, assistant to the president, UMWA, awards trophy to second-place minerescue team, Inland Steel Co., No. 1 mine, Price, Ky. The team was captained by J. P. Gibson and represented the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal-Mining Institute.

Winners Feted

rescue was won by a team from Mine No. 2, Wisconsin Steel coal mines, International Harvester Co., Benham, Ky. It was awarded a trophy from NCA.

In the combination class, competing both in first-aid and mine-rescue events, team No. 2, Glenn Castle No. 6 mine, Hanna Coal Co., Div. of Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., Adena, Ohio, was first; Green Valley Mine, Snow Hill Coal Corp., Terre Haute, Ind., second.

By prior agreement, the national contest also decided the first-aid championship of three states as follows: Kentucky, Blue Diamond No. 1 mine, Blue Diamond Coal Co., Blue Diamond; Tennessee, Boyd, Eureka, and Burra Mines, Tennessee Copper Co., Copperhill; Virginia, Derby Colliery, Stonega Coke & Coal Co., Big Stone Gap.

Contest winners were chosen on the basis of the speed and proficiency with which they worked difficult problems. Each first-aid team worked at least 10 problems in the two-day meet, while mine-rescue crews were judged on a series of maneuvers following a simulated mine disaster.

H. R. Burdlesky, safety representative, USBM, Pittsburgh, was chief judge of the first-aid contest, and W. R. Park, district supervisor, USBM, Mt. Hope, W. Va., chief judge of the mine rescue contest.

Howard T. Batman, general manager and counsel, Lynch Coal Operators' Reciprocal Association, Terre Haute, Ind., was master of ceremonies at the dinner.

The contest was held by the U. S. Bureau of Mines and The Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association in cooperation with the NCA, the UMWA. the state Department of Mines, Lynch Coal Operators' Reciprocal Association, and the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce.

J. J. Forbes directed the contest and was assisted by W. Dan Walker Jr., district supervisor, USBM, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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FIRST IN FIRST AID—Percy Tetlow, assistant to the president, United Mine Workers of America, presents UMWA trophy to the top team in the first aid, U. S. Steel team No. 1, Gary Dist., West Virginia



FIRST IN MINE RESCUE—J. J. Forbes, director, U. S. Bureau of Mines, presents Congressional Medallions and Coal Age cup to the top team in the mine rescue, Hendrix mine, Consolidation Coal Co.



AWARDED MSA TROPHY—Everett White, assistant manager, Mine Dept., Mine Safety Appliances Co., awards MSA third-place trophy in first aid competition to United States Steel team No. 2, Gary W. Va. The team was captained by Robert Long during three day safety tourney at Knoxville's Chilhowee Park. Award was made at ceremonies in Univ. of Tennessee.



AWARDED NCA TROPHY—Harry Gandy Jr., director, Department of Safety, NCA, presents trophy for third place in mine rescue, Wisconsin Steel coal mines, No. 2 mine, Benham, Ky.

Fix Bituminous Miners' Minimum Wage

The pay rates for miners producing bituminous coal for the government were fixed at minimums from \$1.40 to \$2.34 last month by Secretary of Labor James Mitchell. In an order that becomes effective Nov. 25, the miners' pay was set at levels requested by major coal producers employing union labor and by the United Mine Workers of America.

The order was expected to directly affect non-union coal operators that pay less than UMWA wage scales. In protesting the order the non-union operators had argued that many of them would be forced out of business.

Secretary Mitchell acted under the provisions of the Walsh-Healy Act, which authorizes the Labor Department to set minimum wages for workers engaged in filling government contracts. His action sets miners' pay at \$1.40 an hour in Iowa, the lowest rate, and \$2.34 in Montana, the highest.

In the bulk of the Appalachian region,

which includes Pennsylvania, Maryland, W. Virginia, Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, northern Tennessee and eastern Kentucky, a rate of \$2.245 an hr was fixed. Nonunion miners are reportedly paid approximately \$1.25 an hr.

The government bought some 13,000,-000 tons of coal last year; most of it was bought by the Tennessee Valley Authority. The TVA policy of buying coal at the cheapest price and wherever it was available, prompted the UMWA and the coal industry to petition Secretary Mitchell for the wage order. The most vigorous protesters of a minimum wage were nonunion operators from Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and central Pennsylvania.

Meanwhile, the TVA has disclosed that the government's action would not have any effect on the TVA's coal supply. George Claytor, TVA's coal procurement officer, said the authority would "continue to buy coal on a competitive basis no matter where it comes from." He said the new order "will merely mean that anybody who sells TVA coal after the order is effective will be required to pay miners those minimum wages, provided the contract is \$10,000 or more."

Mr. Claytor also confirmed the statement by Secretary Mitchell that TVA purchases were expected "to increase substantially in the near future." Purchases for the current fiscal year, which will end next June, will reach "nearly 17,000,000 tons," he predicted.



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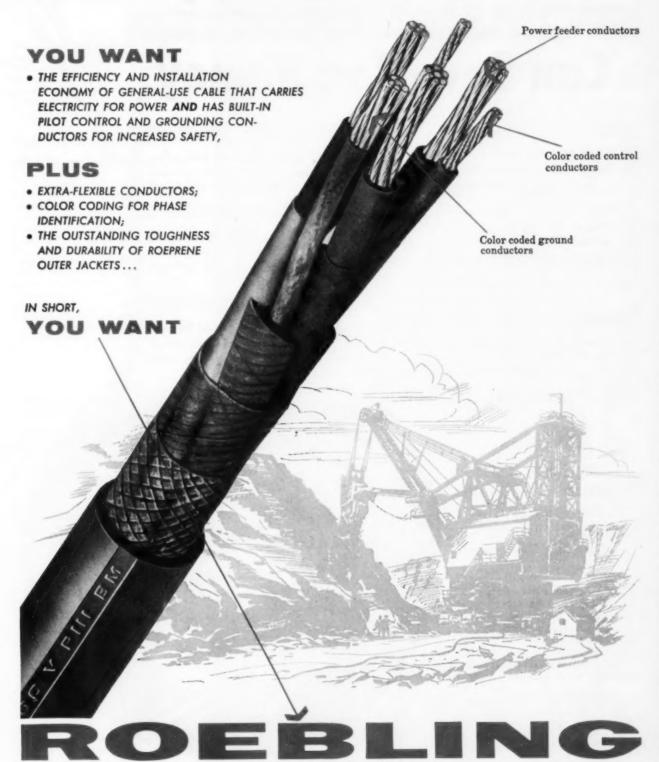


Coal Age Hires Staffer To Write, Edit News

Christopher Elias, a New York State newsman, has joined the staff of Coal Age as an assistant editor. He will write and edit the Equipment News and News Roundup sections of Coal Age and assist in production. A graduate of Hartwick College, Oneonta, N. Y., Mr. Elias was graduated with an M. S. degree from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism. Before joining Coal Age, he had been bureau reporter then sports editor of the Oneonta Star, Oneonta, N. Y. He has also worked as a news copy editor for the Binghamton Press, Binghamton, N. Y.

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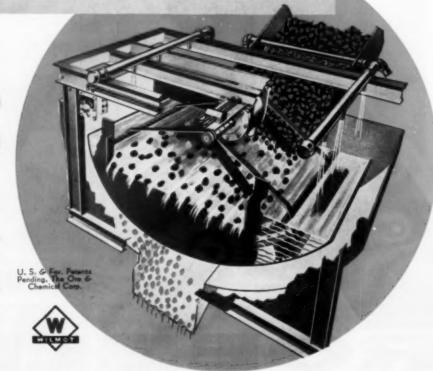
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Begin Coal Pipe Line Construction In Ohio

Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.'s plan to pipe coal 106 mi from Georgetown to Cleveland, Ohio, moved closer to reality last month when a construction company began laying the first section of pipe at Georgetown. When the pipeline is completed next year, pulverized coal will be mixed with water and pumped to Cleveland where the coal will be separated and delivered to Cleveland's Electric Illuminating Co.

Gulf Smokeless Buys W. Virginia Coal Firms

Two West Virginia coal companies, the MacAlpin Coal Co. and Winding Gulf Collieries Co., have been bought by the Gulf Smokeless Coal Co., Tams, W. Va., reportedly for several million dollars. W. P. Tams Jr., president of Gulf Smokeless, said that the purchase boosted the company's coal holdings to 40 or 50 million tons and represents a daily production of more than 5,000 tons.

Winding Gulf, with headquarters in Bluefield, W. Va., operated mines at East Gulf, Herndon and Goodwill, W. Va.

In the MacAlpin transaction, all the physical assets of the company were bought. Adjacent to Gulf Smokeless, the property will be known as the MacAlpir mine of Gulf Smokeless.

Preparation Facilities

Kanawha Mfg. Co., Imperial Smokeless Coal Co., Tipple, Quinwood, W. Va.—Contract closed with Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Industrial Div., for 7 ft, 8-cell Jeffrey Baum jig, 450 tph, to handle 8x0 coal.

High Splint Coal Co., High Splint, Ky.—Contract closed with Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Industrial Div., for 7 ft, 8-cell Jeffrey Baum jig, 400 tph, to handle 8x0 coal.

Old Ben Coal Corp., No. 9 mine, West Frankfort, Ill.—Contract closed with McNally Pittsburg Mfg. Corp. for 165 tph coarse coal McNally Tromp heavy medium cleaning addition, including McNally Tromp coarse coal bath for 7x3½ raw coal.

Carbon Fuel Co., Charlestown, W. Va.
—Contract closed with McNally Pittsburg
Mfg. Corp. for McNally Tromp dense
media and fine coal table cleaning addition at Winifrede, W. Va., facilities.

Eastern Coal Corp., Stone, Ky.—Contract closed with McNally Pittsburg Mfg. Corp. for McNally Rheo fine coal clean ing addition to facilities at McAndrews, Ky., including Rheo launders, three McNally Dryclone centrifugal dryers and water handling circuit.

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Pickets Halt Coal Train At Alabama TVA Plant

Pickets believed to be from Chattanooga's strikebound coal fields turned up in Bridgeport, Ala., last month to head off a 17-car trainload of much needed west Kentucky coal that had been destined for the Tennessee Valley Authority's Widows Creek steam plant. The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway train crew, refusing to cross a picket line, had halted its train on the edge of the TVA rail yard.

With its supply of coal from southeast Tennessee cut off since Labor Day by a wage dispute, TVA officials had turned to western Kentucky for supplies but picket lines had succeeded in stopping the train and earlier, had turned back 10 barges laden with 15,000 tons.

A week later despite the expectation of a settlement, 3,000 miners armed with rifles and shotguns nearly clashed with sheriff's deputies in Tennessee's Hamilton County. Reportedly some "58 or 60 carloads of them threatened violence on non-union miners and operators."

The expectation of a settlement came after 200 small mine operators had accepted a 20c a ton price increase from two larger operators whom they supply. With the price acceptance, the larger coal producers reported they planned to "pro-

duce coal" for the first time in six weeks. But another delay turned up when 400 coal-hauling truckers balked, demanding half the 20c increase granted the independent miner operators. They were offered an additional 2c for each ton of coal they hauled.

Meanwhile, TVA continued to buy its coal from west Kentucky fields.

Miners struck the Chattanooga fields, a chief coal source, Sept. 8, after independent operators had failed to boost pay in line with a recent \$1.20 raise won by the United Mine Workers of America. Two major operators, Tennessee Products & Chemical Corp. and Tennessee Consolidated Coal had granted the increase in their mechanized mines. But independents, leasing from and selling to the major two producers, said they could not grant the raise unless they, themselves, were granted a 40-cent a ton increase by the big two.

Coal, Rails, Labor Fight Gas Export, Import Plans

Five organizations representing the coal industry, railroads and labor have joined forces to fight natural-gas export and import proposals made by the Tennessee Gas Transmission Co, and a newlyformed affiliate, the Midwestern Gas Transmission Co. The proposals, filed

with the Federal Power Commission last month, would permit natural gas importation from Canada for distribution in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and North Dakota. They would also permit American gas to be exported at Niagara Falls, N. Y., to develop markets in eastern Canada while a Canadian pipeline is constructed from Alberta to Toronto. Opposing the plan are the National Coal Association, the Anthracite Institute, Fuels Research Council, Inc., American Coal Sales Association and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Tom Pickett, NCA vice president, called the plan "an attempt to have Americans subsidize the building of the all-Canadian natural-gas pipeline."

AGE To Spend \$28,000,000 For Ohio Electric Unit

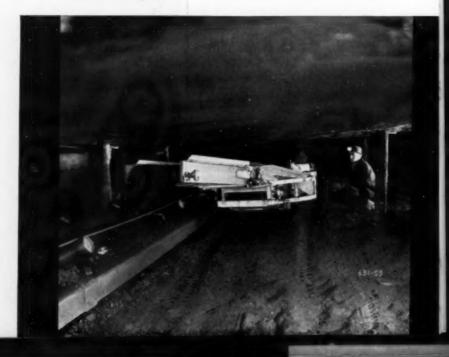
Plans to construct a 225,000-kw steamelectric generating unit at the Muskingum River plant, Ohio, were disclosed Oct. 19 by Philip Sporn, president of the American Gas & Electric Company. The project will cost an estimated \$28,000,000 and is scheduled for completion in June, 1957.

The new unit, capable of supplying electric service to 650,000 average homes, will make the Muskingum station one of the two largest power plants in Ohio, second only to the Kyger Creek plant of Ohio Valley Electric Corp. Coal requirements of the new unit are expected to be 575,000 tons a year, raising the entire plant's total burn to an anticipated 2.275,000 tons.

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NCA Committee To Study Coal Car Shortage

A special committee formed to study coal car shortages was appointed by the National Coal Association's president, L. C. Campbell, last month. It was expected to hold an early meeting. The committee is headed by Joseph T. Berta, president of Pittston Clinchfield Coal Sales Corp., New York, N. Y. Other members are J. D. Francis, president, Powelton Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va.; R. L. Ireland, chairman executive committee, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., Clevelund; R. H. Knode, chairman, Stonega Coke and Coal Co., Philadelphia.

Harry LaViers, president, South-East Coal Co., Paintsville, Ky.; A. R. Matthews, president, Pocahontas Fuel Co., Inc., Pocahontas, Va.; James W. Morgan, president, Syrshire Collieries Corp., Indianapolis; C. J. Potter, president, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Co., Indiana, Pa.; Henry C. Woods, vice president, Sahara Coal Co., Chicago.

West Virginia Mine Struck 80 Walk Off; 70 Stay On

Production continued last month at the Banner Fuel Coal Corp. mine in Cranes Nest, W. Va., despite a strike by some 80 miners, more than half the entire labor force. About 70 miners stayed on the job as orderly picketing began on the mine entrance road. Owned by E. P. Litton, Bristol, W. Va., and Scott Litton, Bluefield, W. Va., the mine was one of

the area's largest coal producers during World War II. Unionized, it was closed in 1954 because its owners said they could not pay union wages. Re-opened later in the year without union affiliation, it employed 50 men. Its labor force had tripled to some 150 employees by last month.

UMWA Reinstates Miner

A Uniontown, Pa., miner, George H. Livengood, has been reinstated in the United Mine Workers of America after being expelled in 1949. Mr. Livengood had filed suit in Federal court in Washington, demanding an accounting of the UMWA's retirement and welfare fund. He said after his reinstatement last month that he would not withdraw his suit for damages against the union.

Order Five Coal Companies To Pay \$107,658 Royalties

Federal Judge Cale J. Holder has ordered five Indiana coal companies to pay \$107,658 in royalty payments to the United Mine Workers welfare fund. In handing down the ruling, Judge Holder also ordered that the companies pay 6% interest and court costs. The suits were brought by the UMWA which sought to recover the royalties agreed on in labor contracts between the companies and the UMWA. The contract agreements specified that employers pay the union 40 cents on each ton of coal produced. The Indiana coal companies were: Quality Mining Co., Three Coal

Co.'s, Shaw Mining Co., all Boonville Landrey Mining Co. Inc., Winslow and Rose Hill Mining Co., Inc., Newburgh.

Heart Attack Beds Lewis Attack 'Slight:' Doctor

John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers of America, suffered a "slight" heart attack in September. The 75-year-old labor leader had entered Emergency Hospital in Washington Sept. 23 for a rest and checkup. In October his physician, Dr. John Minor, disclosed that a case of coronary thrombosis, similar to that which had struck President Eisenhower "but not nearly to the same degree," had disabled the UMWA leader.

Coal Buying Flip-Flop May Be Political Issue

The government's failure to make good on a promise to buy 10,000,000 tons of coal from distress areas in the United States under the foreign aid program loomed as a political issue last month. The resentment of Congressmen in the affected coal areas raised a new threat to the administration's program of aid. Democrats charged a "double cross," while Republicans from the affected areas vigorously protested the administration's move. In Washington Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney, D-Wyo., chairman of the Senate Interior subcommittee on fuels, announced that an investigation into the emergency coal purchasing plan would

coal away is no problem

Intermediate sections of the Molveyor turn a corner as they enter or leave a room. Each unit's wheels track those of the section ahead automatically. Three-point suspension keeps all four wheels in contact with uneven floors. Unit in foreground is #13-about 195 feet from the face and 105 feet from the discharge point onto the mother belt.

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get underway. He assigned two members of his staff to get "the whole story."

The government's plan to buy coal from distress areas turned up in 1954 when Harold E. Stassen, foreign aid chief, said his agency would begin a \$150,000,000 emergency program to buy 10,000,000 tons of coal. But last September John B. Hollister, head of the International Cooperation Administration which has replaced Mr. Stassen's agency, revealed in a letter to Representative Robert H. Mollohan, D-W. Va., that the plan had been abandoned. Some 1,130,000 tons of coal had been purchased at its termination. Subsequently, Rep. Daniel J. Flood, D-Pa., a member of the House Foreign Aid Appropriations subcommittee, told Mr. Hollister that the foreign aid program was in for trouble on appropriations.

Breaker Strike Flares; Dies As Pact Is Signed

A strike flared, then died in two days last month, after the operators of a new anthracite breaker in Suffolk, Pa., agreed to pay the United Mine Workers Health and Welfare fund a 50-cent royalty on every ton of coal produced. The operators, Blaschak Bros., at first had defied some 600 picketing UMWA men and declared it had closed a contract with the Independent Miners, Breakermen and Truckers Assn. of Schuylkill County. John Blaschak, one of the owners, said the company would petition the National Labor Relations Board for an election. The UMWA had countered with the declaration that it would not participate

in an election if the NLRB should order one. Mass picketing began and the miners blocked the breaker's main entrance. In two days an agreement was signed and Blaschak Bros.' ten employees had become members of the UMWA.

Colorado Coal Properties Bought By U. S. Steel

United States Steel Corp. has exercised an option to purchase two coking coal properties of Minerals Development Corp., in western Colorado. Claude P. Heiner, Salt Lake City, Utah, president of Minerals Development, said the price was "very substantial." The properties are estimated to contain between 25 and 50 million tons of recoverable coal for the Columbia Works, Geneva, Utah. Coking coals are rare in the western United States. These were discovered only after close analysis of beds of the Somerset and Oliver mines. The Somerset properties, some 5,300 acres, have been producing bituminous on a commercial basis for more than 30 yr. L. J. Westhaver, San Francisco, operating vice president of Columbia-Geneva Steel Div., said the purchase was made to assure U. S. Steel a continued future reserve.

NCA Lauds College Program Training Leaders In Coal

Students enrolled at the Michigan College of Mining & Technology, Houghton, Mich., are being well trained for employment in the mining industry, the

National Coal Association's Training and Education Committee concluded last month after a guided tour of the campus. Coal, the committee added in its conclusion, "is missing a great opportunity to get future leaders if it fails to employ its proper share of those who are avail-The conclusions came after the committee had heard discussions of curricula by Michigan College department heads and had participated in question and answer periods between themselves and the faculty. Representing the NCA were H. C. Woods, chairman of the committee and of the Sahara Coal Co.; G. E. Enos, executive vice president of the Enos Coal Mining Co.; H. C. Walter, personnel manager, Lorado Coal Mining Co.; and C. R. Nailler, president, Christopher Coal Co.

Aid, Rescue Teams Divide Honors At Pikeville Meet

Inland Steel's mine-rescue team from Price, Ky., won first place at the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Mining Institute contest Oct. 8 in Pikeville, Ky. Consolidation Coal's team from the Hendrix mine, Deane, Ky., was second, and Inland Steel's team from Wheelwright, Ky., placed third.

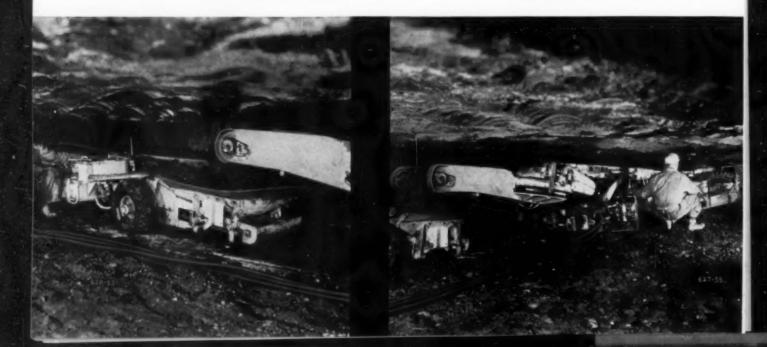
In first-aid events Turner Elkhorn Mining Co., Drift, Ky., was first in the adult white class; Inland Steel's mine at Price, Ky., was second, and Consolidation Coal's first-aid team from McRoberts, Ky., placed third.

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J. H. Mosgrove, secretary of the mining institute, said that the top teams were expected to compete in the 17th National First Aid and Mine Rescue Contest in Knoxville.

Spark Fires Illinois Mine

An early morning fire believed touched off by an electric spark from a snapped electric cable broke out in the Freeman Coal Co.'s No. 3 Orient mine near Waltonville, Ill., Oct. 11. No injuries were reported.

Remodel, Operate Breaker

Remodeled at a cost of some \$58,000 a breaker owned by Dial Rock Preparation Co., formerly Dial Rock Coal Co., Exeter, Pa., began operations last month. The breaker will process some 700 tons of run of mine coal produced by the Alco Mining Co., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., according to Aloysius J. McNulty, president of Dial Rock.

76-Oven Coke Battery Operating In Youngstown

A new 76-oven coke battery has begun operating at the Campbell Works, Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., Youngstown, Ohio. Its daily capacity is 1,250 tons of coke, or some 450,000 tons a year. The new ovens feature underjet firing and have a 730 cu ft capacity.

They are more than 43 ft long, 13 ft high and average 18 in wide with a 3 in taper. The entire battery is more than 350 ft long.

Low Grade Coal Processing Planned For Wyoming Mine

Koal-Krudes Inc., Spokane, Wash., has been organized to recover coal char and creosote from low grade coal, using a process owned by the PDP Co., Lewiston, Idaho. Elmo Wilcox, president of Koal-Krudes, said the firm plans a \$200,000 plant at Monarch, Wyo., to process 250 tons of coal daily. The firm has contracted for a site near the mine of the Big Horn Coal Co., Sheridan, Wyo. Coal char, a high intensity, smokeless and odorless fuel, is used in heavy industry such as smelters. Creosote is used extensively in the wood-processing industry.

Tragedy Site Leased

The site of a breaker collapse that killed four men and injured 10 others near Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 22, has been leased for an open pit mining operation by the Capparell Stripping & Construction Co., Hazleton, Pa. The site is owned by the Turkey Run Fuels Co. It leased the ground after the Kohinoor Coal Co., owner of the collapsed colliery, had surrendered its lease. Capparell spokesmen said the company will not construct a breaker, but will take its coal elsewhere for processing.

Mines Bureau Establishes Anthracite Division

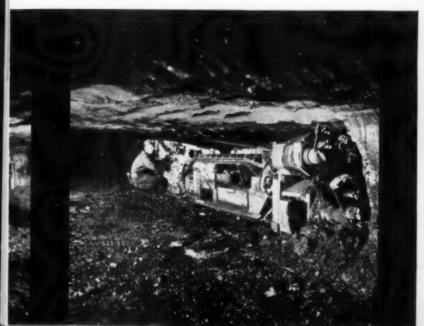
The Department of Interior has announced the establishment of an anthracite division in the Bureau of Mines. It was organized, the department disclosed, to direct the government's part in a \$17 million cooperative state and federal mine-drainage program in Pennsylvania's anthracite region. "It will also guide intensified research aimed at increasing productivity and use of hard coal," a department announcement said. Joseph A. Corgan, head of the bureau's work in hard coal and coke since 1945, has been named chief of the division.

High Court Upholds Claim Against Strip Mine Operator

A Court of Appeals in Kentucky last month upheld an Appellate Court decision that a mining operator, under certain conditions, can be made to pay damage for destroying land surface and timber in stripping coal. The court held that I. H. Buchanan could remove coal from a Kentucky tract under rights granted in a 1903 deed, but declared that the use of the surface and the destruction of it are two different things. The 1903 deed "neither included or excluded" strip mining, Commissioner Watson Clay wrote, upholding an earlier Appellate Court opinion that the operator could remove coal by strip mining, but that it was an invasion of the rights of the owners, Raleigh and Stella Watson. (Continued on p 150)

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Automation Creates Jobs For Workers With Skills

There is new and reassuring information for those who fear that "automation" — the control of machines by machines — will mean fewer job opportunities. It comes from a special survey of 1,574 companies in metalworking industries recently completed by AMERICAN MACHINIST, a McGraw-Hill publication. More than one-fifth of the companies reported that they already have automatic loading, transfer or assembly machinery in operation. In these companies as a whole there has been a net increase in total employment since this machinery was installed.

According to the AMERICAN MACHINIST survey, of these companies with actual experience in automation

26% reported increases in employment averaging 21%

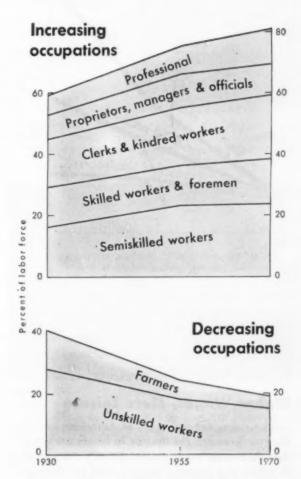
51% reported no change in total employment 23% reported decreases in employment averaging 16%

More Jobs for the Skilled

Of greater significance, however, is the response by 40% of these companies that they required more skilled maintenance men and by 21% of the companies that they had increased their engineering staffs. This indicates that automation is strengthening a trend already evident in the United States, a trend of expanding opportunity for those with industrial and professional skills and, relatively, of contracting opportunity for the unskilled.

The following chart shows how strong this trend has been over the past 25 years and how strong it may be expected to be over the next 15 years.

There has been a sharp decline in the percentage of unskilled workers in the nation's labor force and a corresponding increase in the percentage of those with varying degrees of skill.

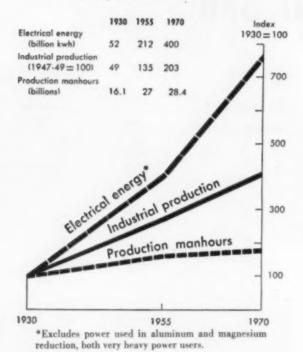


It is possible, of course, to cite cases of individuals and groups that do not conform to the charted trends. Farmers, for example, are becoming at the same time more skilled and less numerous. But this does not upset the broad proposition that opportunities are increasing for those who have skills.

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Power and Production

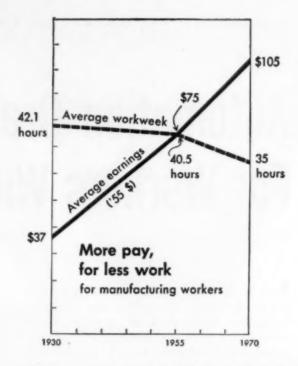
Much of the basic explanation for the relative expansion of opportunities for those with industrial and professional skills lies in the increasing use of power-driven machinery. This has made possible a vastly greater increase in manufacturing production than in the manhours of human labor devoted to it. The following chart shows the relative increases in electrical energy and manhours of labor used in manufacturing since 1930 and the rise in industrial production.



Power-driven machines have reduced the amount of human energy required for physical labor, but they have increased the need for skillful handling and maintenance. As the AMERICAN MACHINIST survey demonstrates, the same is true of automatically controlled machinery.

Higher Wages, More Leisure

The rising average wage of American industrial workers and the decline in hours per week that they must work reflect directly the extent to which the increase in industrial production has outstripped the manhours devoted to it. The final chart shows the increase in weekly wages (in dollars of constant purchasing power) and the decrease in the average workweek in manufacturing since 1930. It also shows the changes that may come in the next 15 years if present trends continue.



There are some who would slow what an earlier editorial in this series characterized as "the continuing process of taking dull and laborious work off the backs and minds of men and transferring it to machines operating in large batteries under automatic control." In doing so, they might make the world safer for those with no skill. The far more constructive course is to welcome the expanding opportunities now being provided and be sure that the nation's young people, who are now starting another school year, are prepared to take advantage of them.

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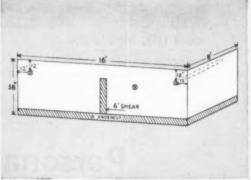
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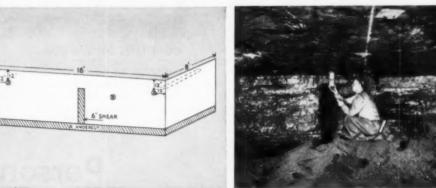
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RED JACKET COAL CORP., Wyoming, W. Va.—First shift group: Seated: Roy Short (left) general mine foreman, Vencil Travis, section foreman, Ward Cook, section foreman and Willard Graham, section foreman. Standing: Tom Sizemore (left) maintenance foreman, Clarence Brewer, section foreman and Donald Webb, belt and ventilation foreman.

Personal Notes



Nelson General Manager Of U. S. Steel Coal Div.

ELWOOD B. NELSON has been appointed general manager of the Coal Mining Div. of United States Steel Corp., James C. Gray, vice president in charge of coal operations has announced. Mr. Nelson, chief engineer of raw materials in U.S. Steel's Tennessee Coal & Iron Div., assumes the new post Oct. 1. A veteran of 26 yr service in the TCI division, Mr. Nelson served as coal-washer engineer, washer superintendent, mine superintendent, assistant general superintendent and

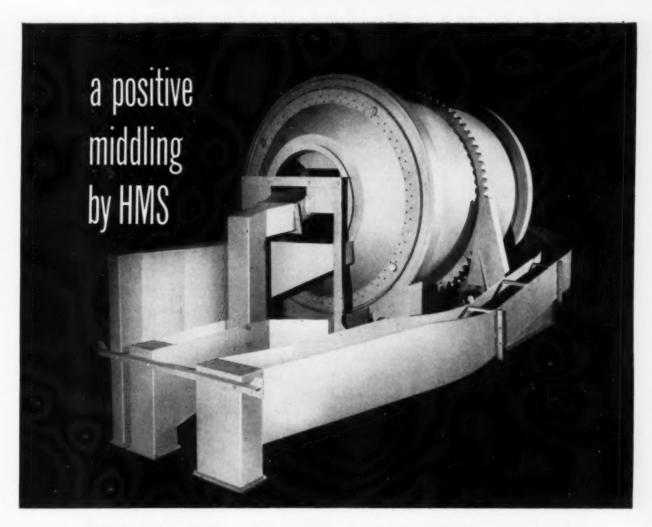
general superintendent of the division's coal mines. On Oct. 10, 1954, he became chief engineer for raw materials. He is a member of the American Institute of Mining & Metallurgical Engineers, Birmingham Engineers' Club and the Coal Mining Institute of America.

Camicia Is Correct

A caption in the "Island Creek Merger" story in the October issue of Coal Age, p 120, inadvertently misspelled the name of the new general manager of the merged properties. N. T. Camicia is the way it should have appeared.

C. W. Connor Jr., assistant general superintendent of the Gary district in U. S. Steel's Coal Div., has been appointed district superintendent. At the same time, Lloyd M. Lineberry, Mr. Connor's predecessor, has been advanced to assistant to the general superintendent of the Gary-Lynch district.

Mr. Connor joined U. S. Steel in 1942 as supervisor of mechanization for the Frick dist. mines in Uniontown, Pa. Two years later he was promoted to assistant superintendent of Leisenring Mines Nos. 1, 2 and 3. In 1946 he was advanced to superintendent of the Shoaf and Collier mines and in 1948 he moved up to superintendent of the three Leisenring mines. Another promotion in 1953 made him assistant general superintendent of the Frick dist. A year later he was transferred to the Coal Division's Gary dist. as assistant general superintendent.



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district in 1920 as an accountant and was made payroll clerk for Gary Mines Nos. 2, 4, 5, 7 and 10. In 1921 he was promoted to cost accountant and in a 1922 promotion he advanced to assistant superintendent of Mine No. 12. In 1935 he became superintendent of Mines Nos. 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12. Three years later he became superintendent of No. 2 and in 1950 he was made assistant general superintendent of the Gary district. The following year he was appointed district superintendent.

W. J. Parton was appointed assistant to the president of the General Crushed Stone Co., Easton, Pa., last month. A former president of two coal companies, Mr. Parton assumed his duties October 17. He began a career in mining in 1939 as an engineer with the Lehigh Navigation Coal Co. After advancing to superintendent, general manager and vice president, he became the company's president in 1954. He recently had been president and board chairman of Panther Valley Coal Co., Lansford, Pa.

H. B. Jones, former general manager of the Imperial Smokeless Coal Co. mines in Quinwood, W. Va., has been appointed general manager of an Eastern Coal Corp. mine in Stone, Ky. The mine, one of the largest in eastern Kentucky, em-

ploys 600 men and produces som. 3,000 tons of coal daily. Mr. Jones began his mining career in 1927 with the New River Co. After 24 yr of service, during which he held a number of superintendent's jobs in several of the company's mines, he accepted the post of general manager at Imperial.

Ernest Phillips has replaced the late Grady Turner as superintendent of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Co.'s O'Donnell mine, Four States, W. Va.

E. P. Sheriff has been appointed resident engineer of the Helen, W. Va., mines of Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates. Mr. Sheriff, a former draftsman at Eastern's Stotesbury No. 8 mine, succeeds Squire Barrett, who was transferred to Grant Town.

Obituaries

Joseph Littlefair, an Illinois mine superintendent, died in a Johnston City, Ill., hospital Sept. 27 from injuries suffered during a mine inspection. Mr. Littlefair was 51. His home was in Johnston City. He was superintendent of Old Ben Mine No. 9 at West Frankfort, Ill.

Col. John C. Groome Jr., a coal operator, died of a heart attack Oct. 3 in Philadelphia, Pa. He was 60. Colonel Groome for many years had been president of the Cranberry Improvement Co. which has mines near Hazleton, In 1943 he became chief of the Domestic Div., War Department general staff. He was later placed on inactive duty to help boost hard-coal production.

Robert Perry Tyler, 58, vice president in charge of sales at Macwhyte Co., Kenosha, Wis., died at home in Kenosha Oct. 2. Mr. Tyler was born in Roanoke, Va., Oct. 7, 1897. He joined Macwhyte in 1945 as general sales manager, was elected a director in 1946, and appointed vice president in 1947. Before working at Macwhyte, he had been employed by John A. Roebling's Sons, Trenton, N. J., and at A. Leschen & Sons Rope Co., St. Louis, Mo.

R. E. Lawson, 78, died at home in Harlan, Ky., Oct. 9, after a long illness. Mr. Lawson was part owner and one of the organizers of Cornett-Lewis Coal Co. He was also a chief in the Harlan-Wallens, Verda Coal Co. at Wallens, Ky. For years he had been head of the Harlan Coal Operators Assn. A civic leader much of his life, he had been active in school and church work. He was buried in Harlan.

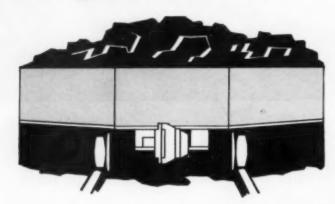
Association Activities

Raiph H. Moore Elected To Head CPCPA, EBCA

At the joint annual meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Coal Producers' Association and the Eastern Bituminous Coal Association in Bedford, Pa., October 6 and 7, the following were elected to office.

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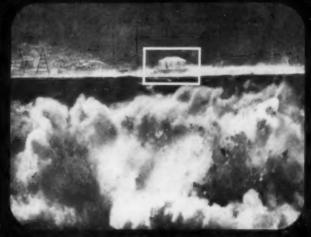
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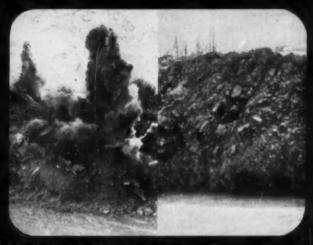


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These men were elected to CPCPA board posts: M. J. Ackerman, T. L. Aitken, L. C. Campbell, Heath S. Clark, H. J. Connolly, Nathan D. Cortright, A. B. Crichton Jr., M. Albert Evans, R. M. Hess, Dennis J. Keenan, John M. Kerr, John W. Krous, T. F. McCarthy, Ralph H. Moore, A. J. Palumbo, Richard Peale, W. H. Ritter, Charles M. Shoffner, L. D. Silverstein, R. T. Todhunter Sr., W. S. Weer, J. William Wetter and Walter S. Williams.

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EQUIPMENT APPROVALS

Twelve approvals of permissible equipment were issued by the U.S. Bureau of Mines in September, as follows:

Linton-Summit Coal Co.—Rebuilt Goodman Type 570 cable-reel shuttle car; three motors, two 10 hp and one 7½ hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1081; Sept. 9.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Types IOSCIIPE-I and IOSCIIPXE-I cable-reel shuttle cars; five motors, three I5 hp and two $7^{1}/_{2}$ hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1082; Sept. 13.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Type 3JCM-4H continuous miner; seven motors, two 65 hp, two 7½ hp, one 10 hp and two 3 hp, 440 v, 3 phase, 60 cycles; Approval 2-1083A; Sept. 13.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Type IOSC12PXF-I cable-reel shuttle car; five motors, three I5 hp and two 7½ hp, 500 v, DC; Approval 2-1084-A; Sept. 15.

Long Co.—Model 88 loader with PT Piggyback combination; two motors, one 20 hp and one 4 hp, 230 v, DC; Approval 2-1085; Sept. 16. Fletcher & Co., J. H.—Type DFA7-C2-S4X-R2 roof control machine; one 15 hp motor, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1086; Sept. 21.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Type XB30R-1E 30-in portable extensible belt conveyor; three motors, two 15 hp and one 25 hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1087; Sept. 23.

Gorman-Rupp Co. — Mine water pumps; one motor, a choice of 1½, 2 or 3 hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1088; Sept. 27.

Gorman-Rupp Co. — Mine water pumps; one motor, a choice of 71/2 or 10 hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1089; Sept. 27.

Mine Safety Appliances Co.—Type A76957 mine fire truck; one motor, 5 hp, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1090; Sept. 28.

Enoco Collieries — Rebuilt Joy Types 5SC-7CE and 5SC-7CXE cablereel shuttle cars; three 7½ hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1091, Sept. 28.

Mine Safety Appliances Co. — Methane detector; Approval 813; Sept. 29.

One Equipment Approval appearing in the September Coal Age listings as a "TD crawler" is changed to read:

International Harvester Co. — Type TD-9 diesel crawler mine tractor with bulldozer or bullgrader; Approval 2406 issued under Schedule 24; July 26.



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Trio of Divisions Created In Johns-Manville Expansion

Johns-Manville began expanding and dividing its Industrial Products Div. into three last month. It named the new divisions Pipe Div., Packings & Friction Materials Div., and Industrial Insulations.

Three new general managers were named to head them. Robert F. Orth, a vice president of the company's sales corporation, was chosen general manager of the Pipe Div.; Francis J. Wakem was picked for the same post in the Packings & Friction Materials Div.; and Don L. Hinmon became general manager of the Industrial Insulations Div.

The expansion was expected to be finished Jan. 1. Actually it was a continuation of a program begun in 1946 to decentralize operations and at the same time expand mines and plants. The company has spent \$20,000,000 on the program each year since World War II.



A round of new appointments and promotions within the sales organization of Allis-Chalmers Industries Group was kicked off in September after the company had appointed W. M. Wallace general manager of its general products division.

In order of succession these men moved up: Robert L. Halsted, Cleveland manager of Allis-Chalmers' central region since 1952, succeeded Mr. Wallace in the job of managing the company's processing-machinery department. Mr. Halsted was replaced in his old job as manager of the company's central sales region by V. L. Spinney. Mr. Spinney, who left a New York district manager's job for the new one in Cleveland, was replaced in New York by N. W. Landis, manager of the company's Detroit district. A. J. Mestier Jr., for 5 yr manager of the Syracuse, N. Y., district, succeeded Mr. Landis in Detroit. Then the company moved up John W. Becker, a Syracuse sales representative, to succeed Mr. Mestier and end the round of promotions.

Forging Expansion Reported By U. S. Steel Homestead Works

U. S. Steel's Homestead District Works disclosed recently that it has expanded its forging division. The program will round out the division's product lines and provide flexibility in producing special forgings for the armed services, turbine and generator rotors, heavy machinery parts, rolls and sleeves, and plant-maintenance equipment. The program also includes relocating and altering forging presses and installing heavy-duty machine tools.

ESCO Creates Export Division

The establishment of ESCO International, a new division to oversee export business, has been announced by Electric Steel Foundry Co., Portland, Ore. The division's main office in New York is directed by Ed. T. Hewitt. Branch offices have been opened in Portland, and in San Francisco, Calif.

Borg-Warner Gets New Division

Byron Jackson, west coast maker of pumps, oil tools and electronic equipment, became the Byron Jackson Div. of Borg-Warner Corp. Sept. 1. E. S. Dulin, president of Byron Jackson, was named president of the new division.

Goodman Names Pittsburgh District Manager

The appointment of K. E. Caine as district manager in Pittsburgh for the Goodman Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill., has been announced by the company. Mr. Caine, a member of Goodman sales since 1934, recently became an assistant mining engineer. A job in 1925 as mining engineer for an Ohio coal company began a 30-yr career in the mining industry.

Peters Named Crusher Agent

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Morris Names Sales Agents

Two changes in sales territories of the Morris Machine Works, Baldwinsville, N. Y., have been announced by sales manager W. M. Mercer. Central Pennsylvania, formerly served by the late Walter L. Potter, Johnstown, Pa., will be served by the Ramsay Pump & Supply Co., Pittsburgh. Beginning Oct. 1, Morris agent in southeast Pennsylvania will be Maleson Co., Philadelphia.

Thor Makes Artinger Manager

Harry L. Artinger, an industrial service engineer in the Pittsburgh, Pa., area for 10 yr, has been promoted to Pittsburgh manager by Thor Power Tool Co., Aurora, Ill. Mr. Artinger's new job puts him in charge of all Thor sales and service activities in the western half of Pennsylvania, southeastern Ohio and West Virginia.

Kaites Joins Long Sales Staff

John E. Kaites has joined the sales staff of the Long Co., Oak Hill, W. Va., and will represent the company in Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia, Mr. Kaites' headquarters are in Johnstown, Pa. He was formerly employed by Warner Collieries and by Ogleby-Norton Co. as resident engineer of Bruce mine.

Executive Promotions At Insley

Three new sales division appointments were made recently by the Insley Mfg. Co., Indianapolis, Ind. Fred B. Ray, vice president of sales, was appointed vice president of sales research and development. R. J. Boatman, factory sales representative, was named sales manager. C. W. Hoke was appointed advertising

Appoint W. Va. Carbide Dealer

Baldwin Supply Co., Charlestown, W. Va., was appointed recently the authorized Carboloy carbide distributor of the Carboloy Dept., General Electric Co., Detroit. Baldwin's headquarters are at 207 Virginia St., W. The company will sell tools and blanks, diamond wheel dressers and masonry drills.

Haskell Retires

I. B. Haskell, market research and engineering development manager for West Virginia Steel & Mfg. Co., retired last month. A dinner in his honor was held Sept. 28 at the Prichard Hotel in Huntington, W. Va. During 33 yr with the steel company, Mr. Haskell had been in close contact with men in the coal industry and associated organizations. His duties have been divided among a number of departments in the company's organization.

Atlas Powder's Bruff Retires

Benjamin J. D. Bruff, Knoxville, Tenn., assistant to the director of explosives sales at Atlas Powder Co., retired Oct. 1. He

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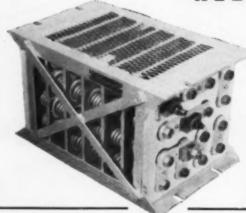


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SALES AGENT: KANAWHA RAIL & MACHINERY CO. CHARLESTON, W. VA. served the company more than 43 yr. A native of Baltimore, Md., Mr. Bruff had worked for the Knoxville sales office of the company since 1913. He joined Atlas in 1912 and for more than 17 yr had managed the Knoxville office. In 1954 he was appointed assistant to the company's director of explosives sales.

Baumgardner Heads Trabon Sales

E. W. Baumgardner has been appointed sales manager of the Trabon Engineering Corp., 1814 E. 40th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio, the company announced last month. Before joining Trabon, Mr. Baumgardner had been with Industrial Ovens, Inc., and National Carbon Co. In his new job, he will supervise national and international sales of centralized automatic lubrication systems.

Rome Cable Transfers Spriggs

Rome Cable Corp., Rome, N. Y., has announced the transfer of T. C. Spriggs to its Chicago office as sales representative. Before the transfer, Mr. Spriggs was sales representative in the company's central New York territory.

Goodman Appoints Newton

John S. Newton has been appointed vice president in charge of engineering at the Goodman Manufacturing Co. For the past seven years Mr. Newton has been with the Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Eddystone, Pa., recently as vice president and manager of the Testing Equipment Div. Previously he had been an engineer at Westinghouse.

Middleton Named Manager

Laubenstein Mfg. Co., Ashland, Pa., has appointed Harold R. Middleton sales manager. Formerly with Wilmot Engineering Co. as manager of sales promotion and advertising, Mr. Middleton has been closely identified with the development and sale of coal preparation equipment in both the anthracite and bituminous coal industry for many years.

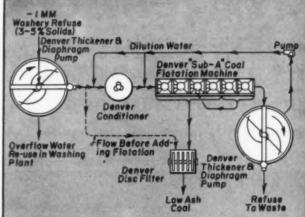
Goodman Fetes Old-Timers

Nineteen persons employed by the Goodman Manufacturing Co. in Chicago, Ill., were presented with diamond pins Nov. 2, at the company's tenth annual old timers dinner. Fifteen employees had completed 25 yr of service, four had completed 35 yr. With these presentations, the number of active employees who have reached the 35-year mark was 73. One hundred and thirty have been working for Goodman 25 yr or more.

And for your information

E. M. Arentzen, president of the Lee-Norse Co., Charleroi, Pa., last month appointed Harry J. Fitzgerald to represent the company in southern West Virginia and eastern Kentucky. Mr. Fitzgerald had been employed in the area previously as a service and sales representative for the Jeffrey Mfg. Co.

Robert H. Rand was made sales engineer of Harnischfeger Corp.'s Construc-

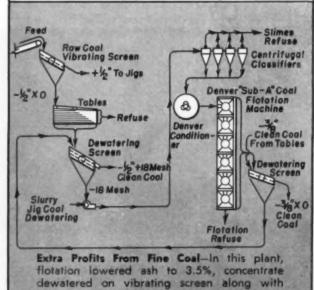


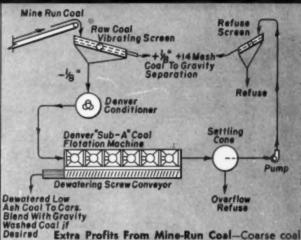
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tion and Mining Div. in Pittsburgh last month. Mr. Rand takes on the new job after 15 yr of experience with distributors of power cranes and shovels.

The St. Louis Heil Equipment Co., Overland, Mo., has been appointed Heil distributor for east-central Missouri and the Illinois counties of Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, St. Clair and Monroe. The company will sell Heil truck bodies and hydraulic hoists, "Colectomatic" and "Colecto-Pak" refuse collection units and "Heiloader" tailgate units.

Cross Sales & Engineering Co., Greensboro, N. C., has been appointed sales engineering representative for Cone-Drive Gears, Div. of Michigan Tool Co., Detroit, Mich. Cross will cover N. Carolina, S. Carolina, Virginia and W. Virginia.

The Howe Scale Co., Inc., Ruthand, Vt., has appointed Philip C. Cook sales manager of the company's new Truck Div. Mr. Cook, a former sales engineer at Lewis Shepard Co., has been with the materials handling company for over 15 yr.

Benjamin F. Fairless, chairman of the executive advisory committee, U. S. Steel Corp., was selected as the 1955 recipient of the Award of Merit presented annually by the American Institute of Consulting Engineers.

Safety Tourney (from p 121)

L. W. Schuler, assistant to the safety director, UMWA, was co-ordinating director. H. F. Weaver, chief, Div. of Coal Mine Inspection, was secretary; Robert Norcross, West Virginia Coal Association, was treasurer, and W. H. Tomlinson, training administrative officer, USBM, was announcer. Harry S. Homan, executive secretary and treasurer of the Southern Appalachian Coal Operators' Association, Knoxville, directed local arrangements.

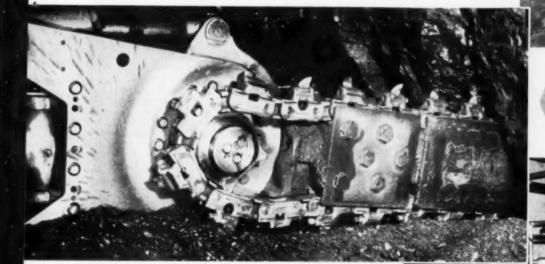


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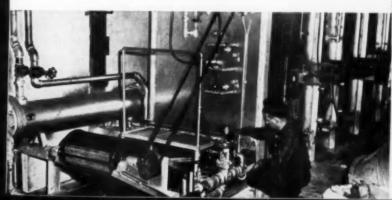
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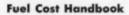
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Engineering Materials

Handbook of Engineering Material, edited by John Seastone and Douglas F. Miner. A comprehensive work aimed to help engineers select the proper materials. Main divisions of the book include general information and standards, discussion of metals and many special-purpose alloys, details on non-metals and an analysis of the various construction materials. Information is arranged to permit easy comparison of competitive materials. I,382 pp. \$17.50, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 4th Ave., New York, N. Y.

Modern Arc Welding

Lessons in Arc Welding, The second part of a Hobart Bros. Co. text book, contains a series of practical exercises and instructions for developing and improving the technique of arc welding operators. The book includes preliminary instruction, starting and manipulating the arc, welding common joints with bare electrodes, welding light-gage sheets with coated electrodes, general welding with coated electrodes in flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions. 200 pp., \$1, Hobart Trade School, Inc., Hobart Square, Troy, Ohio.

Welding Library

A complete set of 13 basic books on modern welding practice together with personalized book plates is available for \$10. If bought separately the books would cost \$14.25. Titles and individual pieces are as follows: Procedure Hand-book (\$2 in U.S.A. \$2.50 elsewhere); New Lessons in Arc Welding (\$1 in U.S.A., \$1.50 elsewhere); Simple Blueprint Reading (\$1 in U.S.A., \$1.50 elsewhere); Incentive Management (\$1 in U.S.A., \$1.50 elsewhere); Weldability of Metals (50c in U.S.A., 75c elsewhere); Welding with Stainless Steel Electrodes (25c in U.S.A., 50c elsewhere); How to Repair and Build Farm Equipment (50c in U.S.A., 75c elsewhere); Design for Welding (\$2 in U.S.A., \$2.50 elsewhere); Studies in Arc Welding (\$1.50 in U.S.A., \$2 elsewhere); Welding Helps for Farmers (\$1 in U.S.A., \$1.50 elsewhere); Setting Up and Operating a Welding Business (50c in U.S.A., 75c elsewhere); Arc Welding Lessons for School and Farm Shop (\$1 in U.S.A., \$1.50 elsewhere); Metals and How to Weld Them (\$2 in U.S.A., \$2.50 elsewhere); Available from The Lincoln Electric Co., Box 3115, Cleveland 17, Ohio.





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Developing Your Executive Skills, by Auren Uris, gives expert guidance on how to become a more effective and valuable executive. Includes chapters on decision making, long-range planning, executive problem solving, communication, working with subordinates, correspondence, interviewing, sharpening mental focus and memory. 270 pp. \$4.50. McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., New York, N. Y.



COAL MEN ON THE JOB

WINGERT CONTRACTING CO., INC., Butler, Pa.—Merle Furlong, shop maintenance foreman.

News Briefs (Continued from p 129)

Fire Razes Utah Resin Plant

A Utah coal-resin plant in Bauer, Tooele County, has been razed by fire at a loss to its owner, Combined Metals Reduction Co., of \$300,000. Ten thousand gallons of hexane went up in flames at the facility. It was the only such plant in the United States and will be rebuilt, CMR officials said.

Tipples Dynamiter Sought

A \$5,000 reward for information leading to conviction in connection with the dynamiting of two coal tipples last month has been posted by the Central Pennsylvania Open Pit Mining Assn. Two blasts wrecked tipples of the River Smokeless Coal Co., Irvona, Pa., and the C. E. Powell Coal Co., Van Ormer, Pa., Oct. 9. Damage was estimated at \$45,000

Coal Focus of Japan Crisis

Japan's coal industry has threatened to become the focus of a national economic crisis. Ailing for several years, the industry has already produced the first signs of a depression on Kyushu Island where 55%

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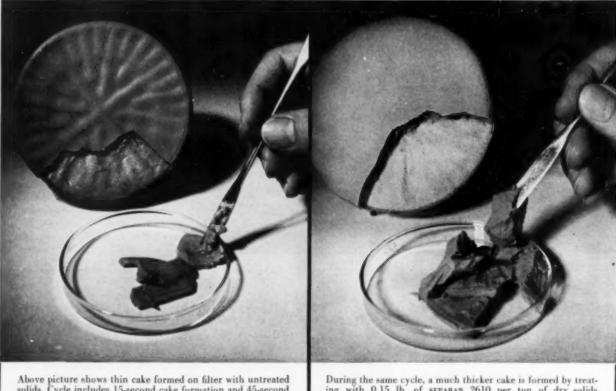
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Unemployment and shut-down mines have had far reaching repercussions. Reduced tax collections have hampered government and public development.

The National Diet has met the problem by limiting oil consumption. It has also attempted to reorganize coal industry on more efficient lines.

Meanwhile Japan continues to import coal from the United States, coal that is cheaper because of a disproportionate labor cost in Japan that is related to daily output per man.

A two-month wage strike in 1952 added to the confusion. In the face of a coal shortage the government had urged oil as a fuel. As a result of an industrial conversion to oil, Japanese coal companies have never recovered. Coal output reached a peak of 46,430,000 tons in 1951. It has dropped since then to 40,000,000 tons. Last year 808 coal mines were operating in Japan. One hundred and forty have closed since then.

British Output Continues Fall

British coal output continued to fall last month behind that of last year. Production reached 172,166,600 tons, 3,268,400 tons lower than 1954. Saleable output of both deep mine and open pit coal in the week ending Oct. 15 was 4,995,900 tons, 3,300 tons more than the previous week and 17,100 tons behind the corresponding week in 1954.

British imports during the week ending Oct. 8 totaled 184,000 tons, raising the year's total imports to 9,137,200, compared to 1,686,200 for the same period last year.

British Strike Off-Shore Coal

The first major out-to-sea boring ever to be carried out in the United Kingdom has proved successful. After drilling five months the National Coal Board has struck coal 2,000 ft below the Firth of Forth and about 1% mi off shore from Kirkcaldy Fife, Scotland. The aim was to prove reserves under the sea and so gauge the extent of a new coal field at Seafield, the sinking of which began in May, 1954. Another boring will now be attempted 11/2 mi farther out to sea with later borings scheduled off the Durham coast, and possibly also off the coasts of Cumberland, Kent and the Dee estuary of North Wales. They will be carried out from a sea-tower designed by the same firm who designed sea-forts during the war, Maunsell, Posford and Pavry.

Wester Coal Seen Useable

A Colorado coal expert, asserting that eight western states contain 12.4% of the coal in this country, said last month that western coal, although inferior, can be made into usable coke with proper processing.

The expert was John D. Price, superintendent of by-products coke plants, Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp., Pueblo, Colo. Speaking before delegates of the Rocky Mountain Minerals Conference, Mr. Price declared "the states of Colorado, Utah, Montana, New Mexico, N. Dakota, Texas,



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"As it stands now," Mr. Price said, "we must face the fact that our western coals fail to measure up to the quality of eastern coals. The big difference is that western coal is lower in coke production."

Mr. Price said his company and others have found methods of increasing the amount of coke in certain types of western coals.

German Imports Top Exports

Western Germany imported more coal during September than she exported for the first time in her history. Her total imports were over 2,000,000 tons, 1,069,000 tons of it U. S. coal. The remainder was imported from Britain (120,000 tons a month), Poland and Czechoslovakia (100,000 tons a month). West Germany's coal exports, meanwhile, declined to 1,931,000 tons.

Chemicals May Stop Mine Acid

Solutions of phosphate or chromate sprayed on pyrite found in coal mines may halt the formation of sulphuric acid and, subsequently, the pollution of streams situated near coal mines, according to Water A. Patrick, emeritus professor of chemistry at Johns Hopkins.

Speaking at the Federation of Sewage & Industrial Wastes meeting in Atlantic City, N. J., last month, Mr. Patrick said that experiments have disclosed that hydrogen sulphide is always present in coal mines and that it triggers a reaction with pyrite to form sulphuric acid. Laboratory experiments, Mr. Patrick said, show that solutions of phosphate or chromate sprayed on pyrite may halt the formation of acid.

Suit Against UMWA Dropped

A \$50,000 damage suit brought against the United Mine Workers of America in U. S. District Court was dropped last month on a motion of the plaintiff.

Warner Collieries and UMWA settled a dispute over seniority rights and ended a strike at Mammoth, W. Va. The coal company had charged that the UMWA had broken a contract by failure to settle the seniority dispute in accordance with an agreement signed with the Southern Coal Operators Assn.

Poor Combustion Pollutes Air

Proper fuel combustion was advanced as an important factor in air pollution problems by Ernest E. Finn, Philadelphia, Pa., during a meeting of the Staten Island Air Pollution Control Assn. last month. Scotching misconceptions about the villianous role of solid fuel, Mr. Finn said that "all fuels can be burned smokelessly."



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And For Your Information . . .

John H. East Jr., regional director of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, admitted last month that the government lost \$100,000

worth of equipment in a mine cave in Feb. 28 at the oil shale experiment station near Rifle, Colo. In all, \$300,000 worth of equipment was trapped in the cave in. Mr. East said two-thirds of the equipment either was not damaged or can be repaired at slight cost.

Publicker Industries, Inc., Philadelphia, Pa., has decided to use coal 100%. Total annual consumption is estimated at 250,-000 tons.

Public Service of New Jersey has increased coal burning by about 10%, or about 200,000 tons

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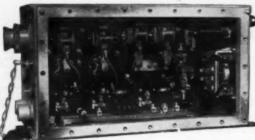
A mine situated near Ehrenfeld, Pa., will be reopened in the next two months, according to L. D. Silberstein, president and board chairman of Penn-Texas Corp. The mine, No. 8, has been out of production for more than a year.

The Dominion Coal Co., Ottawa, has received an order from the United Kingdom for 220,000 tons of Nova Scotia slack coal, according to the Dominion Coal Board in Canada.

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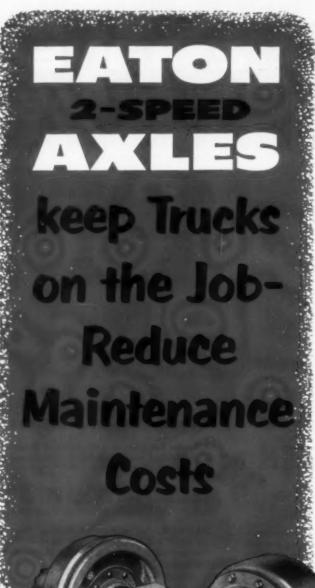
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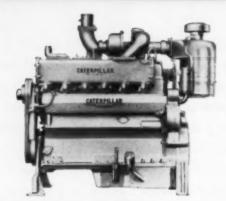
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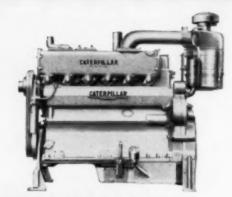
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"Cities Service Heat Prover Played A Major Role In Our Expansion Program"

Miners and refiners of copper, the Calumet, Michigan Division of Calumet and Hecla, Inc., relies on two power plants to operate its many mines, reclamation plants, mills, manufacturing facilities and mine rehabilitation projects.

The two plants, located at Lake Linden and Hubbell, were recently brought up to date. The Lake Linden plant now has modern steam generating equipment fired with pulverized coal. The Ahmeek plant was equipped with new coal distributors for its underfeed stokers and new plastic monolithic furnace settings.

This modernization program, along with a planned preventive maintenance program which is now being put into effect, is expected to raise the KW capacity of these plants from 20 megawatts to 30 within the next few months.

The Cities Service Heat Prover has played a major role in this improvement program. It is used extensively to examine combustion conditions in the furnaces, check station instruments, and guard against air infiltration through boiler settings and duct work, thus enabling plant personnel to operate the equipment constantly at design efficiencies or better.

Says Power Superintendent, Robert Hein: "The portable Cities Service Heat Prover has proved invaluable in our operation. We are now using 150,000 tons of coal per year and operating at boiler efficiencies around 86%. By giving us a quick, accurate check on our firing conditions, the Heat Prover has been directly responsible for much of this record."

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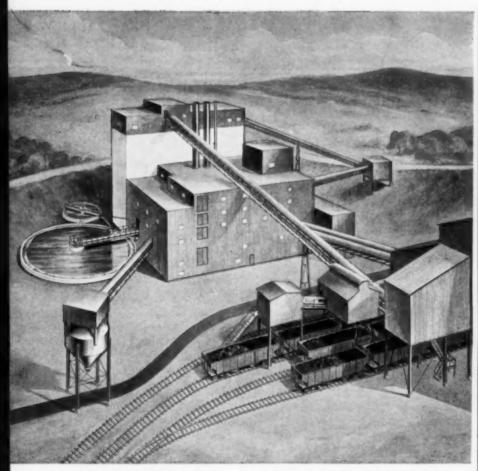


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